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Army Intelligence Officer Told Senate Committee of German
Propaganda Under Guise of Religion and That Some
of the Pastors who Entered the Army and
Continued Work Are Now in Prison.

MOMENTOUS ELECTION IN BRITAIN.

London, Dec. 14.—British electors, including between 6,000,000 and 7,000,000 women who are privileged to vote for the first time, are today expressing their political preferences and on their verdict depends the fate of the coalition Government, which under the leadership of David Lloyd George, has been in office during the past two years. The campaign has been the most hotly contested within the memory of the present generation, and although most of the expert political observers appear to see good chances for a Lloyd George victory, the situation is so complicated and contains so many elements that are without precedent in British politics, that the result cannot be accurately forecasted.

It is just eight years since the last general election in Great Britain, and during that period the political situation has been revolutionized by the war and by the Reform Act. The electorate has been doubled and the enfranchisement of women and soldiers marks a new era in British political life. There has been a wholesale redistribution of seats and many cities that were formerly represented by four or six members will now return two or three times that number. The election law has been entirely remodelled, one of the most radical changes being that the polling takes place in all boroughs on the same day instead of being distributed over a period of three weeks as heretofore. But although all the voting takes place today it will be fully a week before the results are definitely known, because of the time required to collect and tabulate the returns from remote and scattered districts.

As long ago as last February Mr. Asquith, former premier and now leader of the Opposition, declared that a general election for the British Isles was inevitable, and that preparations should be made to meet it. The present House of Commons, as already stated, was elected in December, 1910, eight years ago. It was prolonged, however, because of the exigencies of the war and a coalition Government was formed. It was tacitly understood, however, that the arrangement was to stand only until the war was over. After the passing of the Reform Act, the House of Commons was no longer in a sense representative of the electorate. The franchise had been extended to some 8,000,000 new voters, who had no voice in the election of the present Parliament. Consequently, the steps necessary in calling a general election were taken immediately it became apparent that the world war was nearing its end.

The main issue in the elections is whether the country will endorse Lloyd George's proposal that the present coalition Government, with himself as premier, shall be continued for the work of making peace and carrying on the work of reconstruction.

As to what the results of the voting will be, no man can say. Never before were British political conditions so chaotic, with the old party lines completely shattered by conditions arising from the war. With 10 per cent of the male voters voting for the first time, with 20 per cent of the female voters polling for the first time, and with the constituencies so altered as completely to obliterate the old territorial boundaries, no means whatever exists for estimating the strength of parties in the new House of Commons. How the women will vote and what parties the soldiers will support none can predict with certainty. Then, too, the situation is further complicated and the outlook obscured by the uncertainty with regards to the Irish situation and the attitude of the working classes.

At the same time, it is generally believed that Lloyd George will succeed in bringing the Liberal Unionist Coalition back into office. And this notwithstanding the fact that he is a free lance without any party organization or party funds back of him. But the Premier has the reputation

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 14.—German Lutheran pastors were instructed to preach pro-German sermons before the United States entered the war. Capt. Lester of the army intelligence service told the senate propaganda investigation committee today. Some of the pastors who joined the army later and continued preaching favorably to Germany are now in Atlanta penitentiary.

Released 15,000 Daily.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Demobilization in the United States is now proceeding at the rate of 15,000 men released daily from the army. General March announced today. The war department has designated 824,000 men for discharge, an increase of nearly 200,000 during the last week.

Americans Crossed Rhine.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Formal announcement of the crossing of the Rhine by the American army in Germany reached the war department today in General Pershing's report as follows: "The Third American army crossed the Rhine today and occupied Coblenz bridgeheads."

Bulgarians Maltreat Greeks.

Saloniki, Dec. 13.—Travelers arriving here from Bulgaria, particularly Thrace, declare that in spite of the fact that the war is nominally over, the Bulgarians continue to oppress and maltreat the Greeks residing in that country. It is reported that the village of Aganhopoulos, inhabited solely by Greeks, has been set on fire by Bulgarian soldiers.

Wilson Entered Paris.

Paris, Dec. 14.—President Wilson made his entrance into Paris at 10:15 o'clock this morning. Great throngs gathered at the railway station to greet him on his arrival, and he was greeted with a salvo of artillery in salute.

Prussian Election Announced.

Copenhagen, Dec. 14.—The Prussian government has announced officially, according to a despatch from Berlin, that elections to the constituent assembly of Prussia shall be held in February.

Won't Accept Visitor.

Munich, Dec. 14.—Switzerland, it is understood here, has declined to permit former Emperor Charles of Austria-Hungary, to reside in Switzerland.

Want Annexation.

Cologne, Dec. 14.—A new element has been injected into the complicated political situation in Rhineland by the organization of a secret party

BARGE PROJECT TO BE PUT INTO EFFECT

RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION TO
CARRY OUT PLAN FOR
WATER TRANSPORTATION NOW.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 14.—In a telegram today to the presidents of the St. Louis Merchants Exchange and Chamber of Commerce, Director General McAdoo announced that the railroad administration will carry out the Mississippi river barge route project.

of being a successful fighter and he is determined to continue the political truce that all parties declared at the beginning of the war. To accomplish this the Lloyd George supporters are placing their main reliance in the slogan that he is the "leader who won the war."

COTTON CONSUMED.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 14.—The census bureau today announced that the cotton consumed during November amounted to 457,376 running bales of lint and 63,325 bales of linters.

W. S. S.

TODAY'S EVENTS.

In the general elections in Great Britain today the women will be privileged to vote for the first time for members of parliament.

Important changes over the present constitution of Arkansas, adopted in 1874, are contained in the proposed new constitution to be voted upon at a special election today.

The attention of thousands of music lovers will be centered tonight upon the Metropolitan Opera House in New York City, where three new one-act operas by Puccini are to be given for the first time.

Plans to demand the immediate passage of the suffrage amendment to the Constitution of the United States will be formulated at a conference to be opened in Washington today by the State chairmen and advisory council members of the National Woman's Party.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15.

The American Jewish Congress is to meet in Philadelphia today to discuss the revival of Jewish nationality in Palestine and a guarantee of equal rights for Jews in all countries.

Paris is reported to be preparing an elaborate program for the entertainment of the President and Mrs. Wilson and other members of the American delegation to the peace conference on their first Sunday in the French capital.

W. S. S.

ENOUGH TO GO AROUND.

If it hadn't been for Belgium the war would have been lost. If it hadn't been for France, the war would have been lost. Ditto Britain. Ditto Russia. Ditto Italy. Ditto America. If the peoples of all the countries will just remember this there'll be no squabbling over the question of credit.—Charleston News.

which is working for the annexation of this German territory to France.

Armistice is Extended.

Copenhagen, Dec. 14.—The German armistice has been extended until 5 o'clock on the morning of January 17, according to a despatch from Treves. The allies have notified Germany that they reserve the right to occupy a neutral zone east of the Rhine from the Cologne bridgehead to the Dutch frontier.

Reichstag is Convoked.

Amsterdam, Dec. 14.—Konstantin Fehrenbach, president of the Reichstag, has convoked a meeting of that assembly, reserving further indication of time and place, according to a report from Berlin.

More Soldiers Coming.

Washington, Dec. 14.—The designation of 172 additional officers and 4,845 men by Gen. Pershing for early return home was announced today by the war department. The largest unit included the 51st regiment of Coast Artillery, with 70 officers and 1,170 men.

Stood on Captured Cannon.

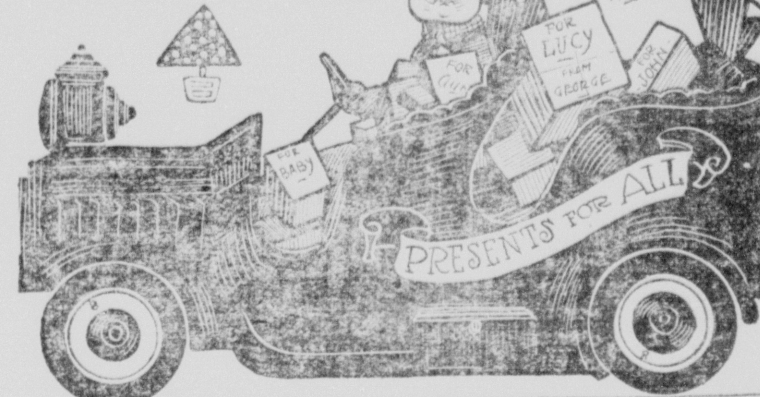
Paris, Dec. 14.—Favorite posts of observation along the route to be traversed by President Wilson and his party were captured German cannon which lined the road from the Place de l'Etoile to the Place de la Concorde. These posts were taken early by the crowds.

TO THE GOOD PEOPLE OF THIS SECTION WHO HAVE FRIENDS OR LOVED ONES OVERSEAS:

We have arranged a direct connection with both London and Paris whereby we can make payment in Pounds Sterling or Francs to Americans in foreign service, and it is our pleasure to announce that we will make all such payments by mail without any charge whatever, or by cable at actual cost of cabling.

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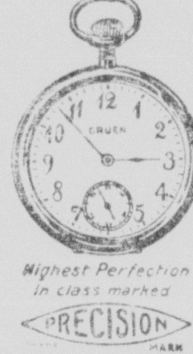
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Tomorrow: Special attraction—"SOCIAL AMBITION" and Smiling Bill Parsons in "CAMPING OUT."

FIRST MEETING CREDITORS HELD AND TRUSTEE NAMED

F. M. Ramsay Trustee of Charles Ross, Bankrupt; Order of Sale in Matter of J. K. Forseck & Sons.

The first meeting of creditors of Charles Ross, bankrupt, was held yesterday afternoon in the federal courtroom before Judge John C. Scott of Corpus Christi, referee in bankruptcy for the Southern District of Texas. F. M. Ramsay was appointed trustee in the matter and will take charge at once.

Yesterday afternoon Referee Scott issued an order of sale in the matter of John K. Forseck & Sons, bankrupts, as the affairs of the bankrupts failed to be liquidated and the order was accordingly issued.

A CARD.

To The Times:

Won't you kindly, through the medium of your paper, express our deep appreciation of the many thoughtful acts shown our family during our recent bereavement.

We wish especially to thank those who helped in so many ways to alleviate our sorrow during the period when we were expecting the remains of our beloved son to arrive in Laredo, and those who so kindly sent many beautiful floral offerings.

We thank sincerely Rev. Father McLoey for the tender solicitude shown us, as also the dear Sisters.

Words cannot express our gratitude to Colonel Ferguson and his able Lieutenants, Matthews and Eberloff, for providing our son with the beautiful and impressive funeral he most desired,—that of a soldier.

Mr. and Mrs. Lake and Family, Laredo, Texas, Dec. 12, 1918.

Notice.

The Latin-American Club will celebrate its anniversary with a grand ball on New Year's eve, December 31st, bidding farewell to the old year and ringing in the new. Only members and invited guests will be admitted. Cards must be presented at the door.

THE COMMITTEE,

12-11-61.

PROLONGED CLOUDY SPELL MEANS RAIN OR COLD SNAP

Weather Conditions Have Been Fine For Farmers and Stockmen and May Break Up by a Big Change.

The prolonged cloudy, damp spell hangs on with a tenacity that forebodes a good rain before the clouds disappear, or else there will be a brisk, cold norther coming along to cause the rift that will bring fair, cold weather.

Christmas time generally dawns bright and fair hereabouts, and the prospects are that the present cloudy spell, with its light rains, will hang on for several days yet. In the meantime the stockmen and farmers are happy over the weather conditions, for it is proving of inestimable value to both live stock and vegetation—grass on the ranges and a good season for growing crops, especially the fields of Bermuda onions.

W. S. S.

TODAY'S ANNIVERSARIES.

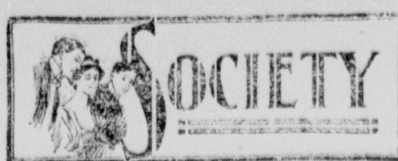
- DECEMBER 12.
- 1818—Robert S. Newton, a famous surgeon who was the first to perform the circular operation for the removal of the breast, born at Gallipoli, O. Died in New York City, Oct. 9, 1881.
 - 1870—Phalseburg, subdued by famine, surrendered to the Germans.
 - 1887—Moscow University was closed because of rioting by the students.
 - 1888—Southern interstate immigration convention met at Montgomery, Ala.
 - 1894—Sir John Thompson, Canadian premier, died suddenly at Windsor Castle.
 - 1911—At the Durbar at Delhi, King George was crowned Emperor of India.
 - 1914—Montenegrins occupied Vishegrad.
 - 1915—President Wilson's note to Austria on Arborea matter made public.
 - 1916—Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg announced that Germany and her allies proposed to enter forthwith into peace negotiations.

W. S. S.

Regular meeting of Encampment Number 29, I. O. O. F., every second and fourth Friday of each month at the Odd Fellows' Hall at 8:30 o'clock. JOS. NETZER, Chief Patriarch. GEO. W. PEW, Scribe.

W. S. S.

Lame back may come from overwork, cold settled in the muscles of the back, or from disease. In the two former cases the right remedy is BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT. It should be rubbed in thoroughly over the affected part, the relief will be prompt and satisfactory. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.



Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeldt
Society Editor

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SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Thursday.
The Married Ladies Social Club will meet with Mrs. T. A. Austin at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Woman's Club will entertain with a program at the army Y. M. C. A. in the evening.

Friday.
The Blue Bird Chapter of Camp Fire Girls will entertain with a program at the Woman's Club at 4 in the afternoon, for the benefit of the Armenian and Syrian Orphans.

There will be a regular meeting of Boy Scouts, Troop No. 1, at their headquarters room in the Methodist Church at the usual hour.

There will be a regular weekly meeting of Boy Scouts, Troop No. 2, at their hall in the evening at 7 o'clock.

There will be a dance at Elks Hall in the evening.

When my burden of life grows too heavy,

When the turmoil and strife are too great,

When the pathway of duty is tangled

And love seems criss-crossed with hate,

I turn to the beautiful forest,

I wait in the silences there;

I list to the brook sweetly singing

And blend with the music a prayer.

Back again to my world of endeavor,

Made strong by that rare silent hour,

I thank the good God for his wild-woods,

His constant and all-healing power.

—Sophia Roberts Bartlett.

General Mention.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Morrison left

night for San Antonio, after a short

stay in the city.

Mrs. Norwood Witting left last

night for San Antonio.

Mr. Ed. Matson has returned from

a short trip in the lower Rio Grande

country where he visited Mrs. Mat-

son for a few days.

Mrs. Lee Vollmer and little son, of

Palestine, arrived in the city yester-

day afternoon to visit relatives.

The many friends of Miss Annie

Pierce will be glad to learn that she

is able to be around again after a re-

cent spell of illness.

Mr. Edward Brewster has just re-

ceived an interesting letter from his

son, Edward, who is with the A. E. F.

in France. He writes that he is well,

and the letter is of recent date.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Ewing and chil-

dren of Tyler arrived in the city yester-

day for a visit to Mrs. Ewing's

mother, Mrs. M. Correu. They expect

to be here until after the holidays.

Announcements.

Mrs. H. G. DaCamara will entertain

the Auction Bridge Club on Saturday

afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

The Busy Bees will entertain with

a Children's Carnival in the building

formerly occupied by the Laredo

Water Company Saturday afternoon.

The Girls Honor Guard will hold a

meeting Friday afternoon at 4:30

o'clock at the home of Mrs. Hugh

Cluck. Important business will be

transacted. All members are request-

ed to be present.

Dance.

A most delightful dance was given

last evening at Elks Hall with a num-

ber of soldierboys as hosts. The 37th

Infantry band furnished the music. There were about forty couples who enjoyed the pleasure of the occasion.

Club Notes.

There was an important meeting of

all the workers of the Christman Roll

Call committee this morning at 10:30

o'clock. Final plans were made.

The members of the Parish Guild of

Christ Church held a very interest-

ing Auxiliary meeting at the Rectory

yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Cook led

the meeting. The following program

was given:

Hymn, "The Church's One Founda-

tion."

Prayer.

Reading, "The Progress of the King-

dom," Mrs. C. W. Cook

Hymn, "Go Labor On."

"The Power of Prayer," short address

by Rev. C. W. Cook.

Prayer.

Those present were Mesdames An-

derson, MacGregor, McKinney, Vi-

dales, Johnston, Puster, Younklin,

Mussett, Kehl, Cook and Rev. C. W.

Cook.

The Busy Bees will entertain with

a very delightful affair on Saturday

afternoon in the building formerly oc-

cupied by the Laredo Water Com-

pany. It is earnestly hoped that the

parents of the small children will

take them to the Carnival as there

will be a number of nice attractions.

This little club is composed of twelve

members and they are always ready

and eager to help in any patriotic or

any charitable work that comes up.

They have pledged a certain amount

to the Victory Girls and take this

method of raising the money to pay

the pledge. They will be assisted

during the afternoon by Mrs. Morton,

Mrs. Derby and Mrs. Halsell. The fol-

lowing booths will be in evidence:

Refreshment Booth—Lois Derby,

Marjorie Fish and Josephine Brew-

ster.

Melcan Booth—Mildred Leyendeck-

er and Dorothy Derby.

Fish Pond—Rosale Biggio and Dor-

othy Morton.

Santa Claus Grab Bag—Emilie Hal-

sell and Evelyn Ryan.

Fancy Work—Hattie May Bryan

and Anna May Mussett.

Carnival Booth—Minerva G'Sell.

There will be games of chance and

other features.

Missionary Society.

The Woman's Missionary Society of

the Methodist Church held a very

interesting meeting at the church on

Tuesday afternoon. The following

program for Harvest Day was given:

Opening Song, "All Hail the Power of

Jesus' Name."

Responsive Readings.

Song, "Take the Name of Jesus With

You."

Prayer.

At the conclusion of the program

the annual election of officers was

held. Mrs. J. A. Burnett was elected

president; Mrs. Bailey, first vice-

president; Mrs. Paul Evans, second

vice-president; recording secretary,

Mrs. T. A. Bunn; corresponding sec-

retary, Mrs. O. J. Guinn; treasurer,

Mrs. N. A. Miller; assistant treasurer,

Mrs. J. O. Buenz; superintendent of

publicity, Mrs. J. K. Thompson; or-

ganist, Mrs. Kerr. Those present at

the meeting were Mesdames Burnett,

Kerr, Skinner, J. K. Thompson, A. G.

Thompson, J. E. Thompson, N. A.

Miller, Emerson, Mims, Barr, Shanks,

Brient, Guinn, Adams, Evans and Miss

Morgan.

Entertainment.

Mr. William N. Gamalero, who has

been stationed at Fort McIntosh for

some time, received his discharge from

the army on Tuesday and entertained

with a farewell dinner party honoring

a number of friends at the Hamilton

Hotel that evening prior to his depar-

ture for New York. The table was

very attractively decorated for the oc-

casional. A centerpiece of American

Beauty roses and red, white and blue

tapers were used. A seven-course

dinner was served and covers were

laid for Lieut. and Mrs. Essing, Lieut.

and Mrs. J. R. Haaga, Mr. and Mrs. A.

M. Penn, Mr. Holmquist, Mr. W. H.

Lea, Miss Cotton and the host.

Entertainment for Soldiers.

The Woman's Club will give one of

their pleasing entertainments for the

soldiers tonight at the Army Y. M. C.

A. The program is as follows:

Russian Dance,

Misses Rosale Wormser and

Celeste Hamilton.

Vocal Solo, "Blossom Land,"

Miss Virginia Penn.

Reading, Selected

Mrs. Norma Polkinhorn.

Piano Solo, "Merry Go Round,"

John Powell.

Accompanists for the evening, Miss

Marie Mowry and Mr. Ramon Gonzal-

ez.

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PERSONALS

Sam R. Anderson of Dentonia is in

the city for a short visit.

D. J. Moran, the piano man of San

Antonio, is in the city on business

and expects to be here several weeks.

Eduardo Cruz, dry goods merchant,

returned last night from the Eastern

markets, where he had been to select

his spring stock of goods.

Walter Winslow returned this morn-

ing from Fort Hancock, Georgia,

where he had been under training,

A PLAIN STAND.

If there was any doubt as to President Wilson's stand in regard to how the German people should be treated for their crimes against the world, his latest utterance should dispel it. It is apparent that he does not believe in having any intercourse whatever except that which is required by absolute necessity.

In answer to a tentative question whether he would accept the invitation of certain German officials to visit that country while in Europe, the president said: "No true American could think of visiting Germany unless forced to do so by strictly official obligations. That is to say, I decline in advance to consider any suggestion of the kind."

This is somewhat different from the attitude the president is declared to have adopted, and which was directly opposed to that of the other allied nations. It was stated that he was disposed to plead the cause of Germany with the allied governments and reduce as much as possible the penalties which they demanded should be imposed upon that country.

The pacifists, the socialists and the bolsheviks of this country will not be content with this statement of our president. They will seek to read into it a message of hope which it does not contain, but they will not even deceive themselves.

The fact is, that all the world is sick of the vile hypocrisy of the German nation. They have seen its fruits, and even the most ignorant realize that there is no hope of changing the leopard's spots. But above all, the whole world is determined that in future Germany shall not be permitted to ruin what she cannot rule, and to destroy things which she cannot reconstruct, merely to strangle competition with her own industries, so lacking in all that is enduring and valuable.

The world is not desirous of imposing a punishment merely for the sake of gratifying a vindictive spirit. But all will join with Mr. Wilson in believing that Germany should pay with toil and sweat, with blood and tears, for the damage she has caused, and shall bring forth the fruits of repentance which are the only earnest of sorrow for wrong committed.

Repentance without atonement is worthless. It is true that there are some things for which Germany can never atone, but to the limit of her capacity she should be forced to make restitution and reparation. And until she is purged of her sin, she is no fit companion for decent people anywhere in the world.

The declaration of President Wilson will go far toward establishing the characteristic of a "true American," he is not a true American who willingly visits Germany until such time as the rest of the world is willing to again admit her to fellowship.

There are some who will desire to visit Germany as soon as permission may be obtained. These people have family ties which unite them to that country, no matter what they may declare as to their American citizenship. It may be that some will even ask for American passports for that purpose. And if they do, it will be a good way to classify those who still owe—and there are no doubt many—"a divided allegiance," which President Wilson has stigmatized as one of the worst faults of some of our citizens.

If there is to be no intercourse between Americans and Germans, it does not look well for the future of American trade with that country. And the people who are, because of their moral leprosy, unfit for us to associate with, are hardly the ones we should care to trade with.

It may be in the years to come that the Germans will be able to remove the stigma which now attaches to their name. But unless they materially change their ways there is not much prospect of that within the present generation. The new generation may be brought up differently; that rests with those who shall decide upon the curriculum of the next few years. But those who believe that immorality is permissible when it is used by the state, and that the end justifies the means, are not likely to be accepted in full fellowship by any decent people in the world.

TRAVEL BY AIR ROUTE.

Years ago it was the boast of some of the railroads of this country that they were "air lines." That is, they came the nearest to the definition of a straight line: "The shortest distance between two points."

But now it appears we are to have air lines—travel lines through the air, at first for mail, then for passengers and finally for freight. Our inventors are certainly as capable as those of any other country and the Caproni airplane from Italy has for some time been carrying a number of passengers which would have astounded the Wrights when they first flew their heavier than air machine at Kittywake.

The report that the Germans are now making airplane passenger runs and while charging a comparatively small fare are making money is not at all surprising. Perhaps that accounts for some of the airplanes which they reported they could not deliver as per the terms of the armistice. But at any rate, there is one idea in Germany: Whenever anyone else invents something, a German immediately begins studying how to make it bigger. It does not matter

that it is usually more clumsy; it is sufficient for the German mind if it is bigger.

The airplane is a purely American invention. There have been no improvements made upon it abroad. The only thing in which the French and British excelled us for a time was in having better engines, which cost infinitely more than the Americans were in the habit of putting into any motive machine. But the Liberty motor evolved after we had entered the war was an improvement over any previous engine for the reason that it was standardized, as are most other American inventions, and could be made by thousands by machinery, instead of being slowly made by hand tools, and it was equal in staying qualities to any engine ever produced.

The war gave the Europeans a chance to develop the airplane and to become more accustomed to its use than the Americans, for the reason that in war there is practically no limit to the money which may be spent for experiment and in training, while in this country during the first three years of the war the use of the airplane was mostly limited to civilians and was costly in the extreme.

But the development of the battleplane, the bombing machine and the light scout have added to the sum of the world's knowledge concerning the airplane, and now that the war is over there is no reason why the American inventors should not make such improvements as will put the airplane within the reach of anyone who can afford to have an automobile. Until Henry Ford worked out his standardized cheap auto, only the well-to-do could afford the expense of purchasing an automobile.

It is now demonstrated that there is no more risk in the airplane than there is in a bicycle, and certainly not so much as in driving a spirited horse. No doubt people who a few years ago watched with awe the feats of the few aviators known in this country will soon be riding, if not in airplanes of their own, at least in those hired to the public.

If a mail route is established from San Antonio to Laredo, the people will have reason to rejoice. For years past there has been the worst train service in the world, so far as the accommodation of the business men was concerned, into this city. Trains run every day, it is true, but no matter how late in the day the train is scheduled to arrive, it can always find means of coming in from half an hour to an hour behind time. And at present the mail service is such that a letter written in San Antonio on Monday is delivered to the Laredo merchant after nine o'clock Wednesday morning.

We shall welcome an air mail service. It may cost a little more, but the satisfaction of getting one's business correspondence almost before the ink is dry will compensate for any other defects. And we may confidently look forward to an air service of some sort by the coming spring.

GLAD TO TESTIFY

Says Watoga Lady, "As To What Cardui Has Done For Me, So As To Help Others."

Watoga, W. Va.—Mrs. S. W. Gladwell, of this town, says: "When about 15 years of age, I suffered greatly. . . Sometimes would go a month or two, and I had terrible headache, backache, and bearing-down pains, and would just drag and had no appetite. Then . . . it would last . . . two weeks, and was so weakening, and my health was awful.

My mother bought me a bottle of Cardui, and I began to improve after taking the first bottle, so kept it up till I took three. . . I gained, and was well and strong, and I owe it all to Cardui. I am married now and have 3 children. . . Have never had to have a doctor for female trouble, and just resort to Cardui if I need a tonic. I am glad to testify to what it has done for me, so as to help others."

If you are nervous or weak, have headaches, backaches, or any of the other ailments so common to women, why not give Cardui a trial? Recommended by many physicians. In use over 40 years. Begin taking Cardui today. It may be the very medicine you need.

DECEMBER 11.
Today is the fifty-seventh birthday anniversary of Simon D. Fess, whose name is receiving mention in connection with the Speakership of the next United States Congress. Mr. Fess is now completing his third term as representative of the Seventh district. Last autumn he was chosen chairman of the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee, and naturally his political prestige was enhanced by the success of his party in the recent congressional elections. Prior to his election to Congress Mr. Fess had devoted himself to educational work. He had held the presidency of Ohio Northern University and of Antioch College and had spent four years on the faculty of the University of Chicago.

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SERGEANT TOM WHITE GIVES AN INTERESTING ACCOUNT

Of the Fight in Which He Suffered a Wound in Arm While Fighting With the Old Milmo Rifles.

Sergeant Tom C. White, of Co. B, 141st Infantry, formerly the Milmo Rifles of Laredo, and who left here with the company when it was called into service with the Texas National Guard in 1917, and who was recently reported as being killed in action, writes his mother, Mrs. H. P. White, who is now in Douglas, Arizona, a very interesting letter from the "front" under date of October 15, and from which the following extract is taken, showing that he was wounded in action and is still confined to a hospital in France:

"I am now in a hospital getting along fine. I got a flesh wound in the arm. I am not sure whether it was I or a corporal who was kneeling in a shell hole with me that got that German that wounded me.

"Our company advanced so fast that we flanked a battalion of Germans. We killed them like sheep. We were in the same wood with them before they knew it. One German, the first one I killed, threw two large grenades at me. He was about 35 yards when I got him. Altogether, this boy and myself got 12 before the rest of the bunch got down there. Then is when they were dislodged. We knocked them down from 50 to 300 yards.

"I saw a few of my old pals go down, but they didn't lose their lives for nothing for we gained our objective."

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF H. A. SAUVIGNET, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that original letters of administration upon the estate of H. A. Sauvignet deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 18th day of November, A. D. 1918, by the County Court of Webb County. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me, within the time prescribed by law. My residence and postoffice address is Laredo, Webb County, Texas.

T. K. HAMILTON, Administrator.

CRIMINAL CASES DELAYED BY CIVIL CASE BEING TRIED

Case of Martinez vs. Bruni et al, Which Started Last Saturday, is Still Before District Court.

The civil case of Martinez et al vs. Bruni et al, which was called in district court here last Saturday, is still on trial before that tribunal and may not be concluded for several days yet. The criminal docket, which was set for trial beginning this morning has necessarily been postponed until next Monday morning, to which time the jurors summoned to appear today were excused this morning.

Notice to the Public.

Beginning Jan. 1, 1919, we are going on a cash basis. This means that when you get your work you pay for it. If you do not get what you pay for, you will do us a favor by letting it be known.

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CHAPLAIN GRAY ADDRESSED AUDIENCE AT MARKET HALL

Told About the Red Cross Work and the Purposes of the Christmas Week Roll Call to Be Made.

A rather small but appreciative audience gathered in the Market Hall last evening to listen to the address made by Chaplain Gray in behalf of the Christmas week roll call of the American Red Cross, a campaign which should be crowned with all the success that the Red Cross expects from loyal Americans in increasing their membership many times.

Chaplain Gray in his remarks told the audience what the Red Cross had done for suffering humanity in foreign countries, and for our own soldier boys on the battlefield, and he made an urgent plea for the members of the Laredo Chapter of the Red Cross to institute a campaign that would have the results of bringing into the membership of the local chapter every man, woman and child in the community.

The campaign here will be launched with a determination to get as many members as possible, so that the representation here will be commensurate with the patriotic spirit always shown by Laredo and Webb county in war work activities and in backing those who did their utmost to win the war.

HAVE RETURNED TO LAREDO SECTION TO RESIDE AGAIN

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Craig Will Make Their Home on the S. N. Johnson Ranch Near This City.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Craig, who have been making their home on a ranch near Houston for the past year or more, have returned to the Laredo section to make their home in the future.

Mr. Craig has leased the S. N. Johnson pasture a few miles from this city and will engage in ranching thereon, arriving this morning with several carloads of cattle which he will pasture on the place. Mr. and Mrs. Craig will make their home in Laredo.

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RETURNS TO FOURTH ESTATE AFTER SERVICE IN THE ARMY

Sergeant Stein Leaves for Brownsville to Resume His Old "Yob" as Editor of Daily Herald.

Sergeant J. M. Stein, who for the past five months has been on duty with the District Intelligence Office, Laredo, has received his honorable discharge from the army, among the first to be discharged at this station, and expects to leave Wednesday for Brownsville. At Brownsville Sergeant Stein will resume his work with the Brownsville Herald, of which he was the managing editor before entering the army.

Two other men of the District Intelligence Office, Sergeants William M. Gamalero and Walter A. Lea, have also received their discharges, Sergeant Gamalero returning to his home in New York City and Lea to his home at Slaughter, La. They left last night.

WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day: Tonight fair; colder. Thursday fair.

Local Weather Report. The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today.

Max. temp. 78 degs. Min. temp. 62 degs. General direction of wind: North-east. Cloudy.

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REFEREE IN BANKRUPTCY HAS ARRIVED IN THIS CITY

Judge John C. Scott This Afternoon Convened a Meeting of the Creditors of Chas. Ross, Bankrupt.

Judge John C. Scott of Corpus Christi, referee in bankruptcy for this district, arrived in Laredo yesterday afternoon, coming here on business demanding his attention.

This afternoon at 1 o'clock Judge Scott convened a meeting of the creditors of Charles Ross, bankrupt, and that matter is now before the meeting being held this afternoon. While here Judge Scott will take action on other matters coming before him for consideration.

Parents, Attention!

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—The following importations from Mexico passed through the port of Laredo this morning: Six carloads of copper, two carloads of calamine, eighteen carloads of lead, two carloads of guano, two carloads of lime and one tank of crude oil.

—Edward Green, florist. Day and night phone Crockett 4107. Ave C at 8th St., San Antonio, Texas. 2-25-tf.

—A message received from County Judge Geo. R. Page states that he arrived in San Antonio last night too late to make connections with the train to Laredo, but that he would reach here this evening.

—When in need of a plumber phone 1203. Juarez Plumbing, 419 Matamoros street. 2-11-tf.

—The following marriage licenses have been issued by the county clerk since last report: Estevan Barbosa and Miss Refugio Peña, Albert Myers and Mrs. J. C. Herrera.

—The Bellmont. Rooms and apartments. 602 Main Ave. Phone 576 or 1017. 6-20-tf.

—The Times is requested to state that the "Servando Benavides" mentioned in The Times several days ago as being indicted for perjury by the grand jury was Servando Benavides Lozano and not Servando Benavides Vela.

—We paint automobiles; also make auto tops. Fidel Cantu, Phone 202. 6-15-tf.

—Christmas jewelry. Every article guaranteed. Windrow Bros.

—The Crescent Garage is the busiest shop in town. Why? 4-10-tf.

—Flags were at half-mast this morning over several buildings out of respect to Private William H. Lake, whose funeral was held this morning. Old Judge never looked more sorrowful than this morning, for the folds of the dear old flag hung on their staffs in a drooping manner, there not being sufficient wind to unfurl the folds.

—Teacher of Gregg Shorthand and Spanish and English. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office; residence 812 Farragut street. 4-27-tf.

—A souvenir from the battlefield reaching Laredo today was a "German dog tag" sent by Lieutenant Ed. J. Moser. It isn't exactly a "dog tag," but one of the metallic identification tags which Ed. took from a 19-year-old Hun soldier who had just given up the ghost after a go with the Yanks.

—The Crescent Garage is the busiest shop in town. Why? 4-10-tf.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-tf.

—Eight million letters from soldiers across the seas will soon be distributed throughout the United States. What a happy day that will be when a letter comes saying "I am on my way home, mother," and soon thereafter the boy who was sent away to do his duty to his flag and country will again embrace that brave old soul who "sent him away with a smile."

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office; residence 812 Farragut street. Residence phone 348. 4-27-tf.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 1-9-tf.

—H. G. DaCamara and family have moved their residence to the Condon home on the Heights, while Dr. W. L. Wilson and family have moved to 1618 Washington, the cottage formerly occupied by the DaCamara family.

W. S. S.

Mrs. Isley's Letter. In a recent letter Mrs. D. W. Isley of Litchfield, Ill., says, "I have used Chamberlain's Tablets for disorders of the stomach and as laxative, and have found them a quick and sure relief." If you are troubled with indigestion or constipation these tablets will do you good."

W. S. S.

Notice. To all contractors and our customers: Mr. Ed. H. Sanchez is no longer connected with the Laredo Plumbing Company. We have the same workmen as before, and are prepared to do plumbing, tinning and gasfitting at short notice.

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SOCIAL CALENDAR.

- Tuesday.**
- The Junior Auxiliary of Christ Church will hold their regular weekly meeting at the Rectory at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.
 - The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church will meet at the church at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.
 - The Tuesday Music and Literary Club will meet at 4 o'clock in the afternoon at the home of Mrs. Pierce Nye.
 - Community Singing at the Soldiers Club in the evening.
- Wednesday.**
- There will be an Auxiliary meeting at the Christ Church Rectory at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.
 - There will be a dance at the Young Men's Hebrew Association Hall in the evening. Mrs. Wormser and Mrs. L. Daiches will be the hostesses.

Home's not merely four square walls
Though with pictures hung and
gilded;

Home is where affection calls
Filled with shrines the heart hath
bulld.

Home! Go watch the faithful dove,
Sailing 'neath the heaven above us;
Home is where there's one to love,
Home is where there's one to love
us

Home's not merely roof and room,
Needs it something to endear it;
Home is where the heart can bloom,
Where there's some kind lip to
cheer it.

What is home with none to meet,
None to welcome, none to greet us?
Home is sweet and only sweet,
When there's one we love to meet
us.

—Charles Swain.

General Mention.

Mrs. W. H. Garrison and baby left Monday morning for San Antonio, to join Major Garrison. They will leave this evening for San Diego, Calif.

Miss Louvena Siros returned home the latter part of last week from Austin, where she was attending the University, which closed on account of the influenza.

Mr. Walter Lane left last night for San Antonio, after a week's visit to relatives. Mrs. Lane and children will remain for a longer stay.

Miss May Netzer returned last week from Austin, where she was attending school at the University.

Mrs. G. B. Harless has gone to San Antonio, where Sergt. Harless will join her later to send the Christmas holidays.

Mr. E. J. Foster returned home Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bobbitt are expected home this week from South Carolina.

Mr. Hal W. Brennan is expected home today from Gettysburg, Pa.

Maester Joe Rodriguez, son of Mr. and Mrs. Julio R. Rodriguez came home last night from college in San Antonio, on account of illness. The young man has been ill for the past two weeks and being convalescent came home to recuperate.

Mrs. J. T. Murphy and daughter, Miss Lucille, returned home last night from a few days visit to relatives in San Antonio.

Announcement.

The Parish Guild will hold an Auxiliary meeting at the Rectory on Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. This will be the last meeting of the Guild until after the holidays.

The Married Ladies' Social Club will meet with Mrs. T. A. Austin Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Dr. and Mrs. Horace Carlin Hall announce the marriage of their daughter, Mary, to Mr. William Henry Colburn, First Lieutenant, United States Army, in Washington, D. C., on December 8th. Lieutenant and Mrs. Colburn will be at home at Fort McIntosh after December 15th.

Entertainment.

The Tournament Bridge Club held a very pleasant meeting yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. John Tucker Halsell. After the series of games were played the hostess served a salad course. Those present were: Club members—Mesdames Bigio, Weber, Johnston, Fish, Christen, and Halsell. The guests of the afternoon were Mrs. G. G. Woodman and Mrs. Robert McComb who played for

Mrs. G. W. Derby and Mrs. Joe Vidales.

The dance given by the Woman's Club last evening for the soldier boys, was a most delightful affair. The band furnished a splendid program of popular dances and every one had a lovely time. The hostesses of the evening were: Mesdames Daiches, Fish, and Wilson.

MEMORIAL MONUMENT FUND
INCREASING VERY SLOWLY

Up to This Time the Subscriptions to This Laudable Undertaking is Not What Was Expected.

According to a report made to The Times by Secretary Woodman this forenoon, he has received the following subscriptions to the fund to be devoted to the erection of a monument in Laredo to our dead soldier boys:

Mayor Robert McComb	\$250.00
Richter Brothers	250.00
Carlos Garza Cantu	100.00
Laredo Record	10.00
Rev. Walter L. Barr	10.00
M. A. Harper	5.00
L. Villegas & Co.	50.00
Mrs. B. G. Salinas	10.00
"Uncle Johnny" Thompson	5.00
"Aunt Johnny" Thompson	5.00
H. G. Dickinson	15.00
H. L. Jackson	10.00
I. Rodriguez	5.00

Those desiring to contribute to this fund are requested to call of City Secretary Woodman at his office in the city hall and hand in their subscription. Don't delay in doing so—loosen up your purse strings to this worthy and deserving cause.

W. S. S.

PERSONALS

W. F. Shutt of Dolores was in the city yesterday on business. Mrs. Allan Stowers of San Antonio, accompanied by her little son, "Billie," are here to spend the holidays and remain until after Christmas.

W. S. S.

Stomach Trouble.

"Before I used Chamberlain's Tablets I doctored a great deal for stomach trouble and left nervous and tired all the time. These tablets helped me from the first, and inside of a week's time I had improved in every way," writes Mrs. L. A. Drinkard, Jefferson City, Mo.

W. S. S.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS.

DECEMBER 10.
Sir James Atkins of Winnipeg, president of the Canadian Bar Association, born at Grahamsville, Ont., 67 years ago today.

Prof. Francis E. Nipher of the St. Louis Academy of Science, who claims to have proved that gravitation can be nullified, born at Port Byron, N. Y., 71 years ago today.

Countess of Warwick, one of the most beautiful and versatile women of the English nobility, born 57 years ago today.

Thomas P. Gore, United States senator from Oklahoma, born in Webster County, Miss., 48 years ago today.

Jouett Shouse, representative in Congress of the Seventh Kansas district, born in Woodford County, Ky., 39 years ago today.

W. S. S.

Pretty but Not Practical.

Spoons and forks have certainly undergone a great change for the better since the fifteenth century, so far as convenience is concerned. The earlier forks were two-pronged affairs, while the spoons of the fifteenth century, though quaint and pleasing in their appearance, must have presented a good many practical difficulties with their uncompromisingly straight handles and almost round bowls. The shape changed greatly about the middle of the seventeenth century, and the solid handles of earlier times were flattened out, while by the early part of the eighteenth century spoons had almost attained their present form.

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Many thousands of women suffering from womanly trouble, have been benefited by the use of Cardui, the woman's tonic, according to letters we receive, similar to this one from Mrs. Z. V. Spell, of Hayne, N. C. "I could not stand on my feet, and just suffered terribly," she says. "As my suffering was so great, and he had tried other remedies, Dr. — had us get Cardui. I began improving, and it cured me. I know, and my doctor knows, what Cardui did for me, for my nerves and health were about gone."

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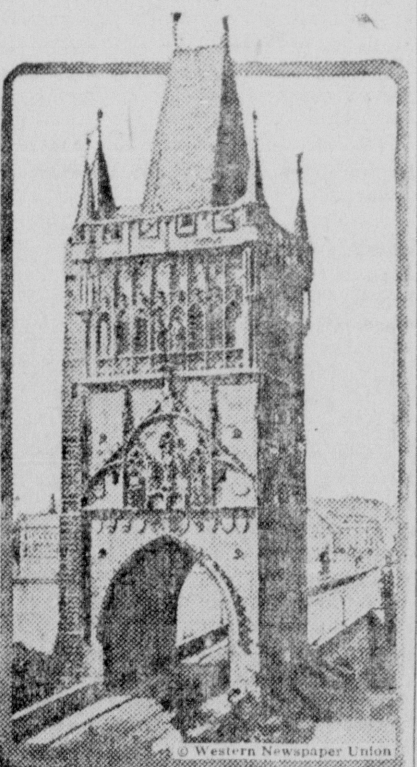
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Birds' Candlesticks.

One of the weaver birds of India, the baya, has a very peculiar method of protecting its nest. Because of the shape of the nest, this bird is also known as the bottle bird and the entrance is where the neck of the bottle starts. With wonderful ingenuity and art the baya places about the entrance a number of small clay balls. We might call these birds' candlesticks, for in each ball he fastens securely a glow or fire beetle which sends forth sparks of illumination at very frequent intervals. The clay is sticky and the beetles cannot escape, so when night falls the illumination given by these beetles is sufficient to scare away snakes and other enemies that might prey upon the bird or its eggs. This is one of the most peculiar forms of nest protection ever discovered by scientists.

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Expert Dietitians Devise Palatable Menus for Soldiers in Hospitals and Canteens.

France is much interested in American cooking, which is truly a gratifying compliment to a nation which prints its fashionable menus mostly in French. The two hundred and more American Red Cross canteens dotting both the French and American lines of communication have been a success with the Polts as well as the Yank, and that well known French organization for the wounded, known as the Bien-Etre du Blessé, has opened a number of model kitchens in French hospitals, usually in charge of amateur dietitians, who consult a professional dietitian provided by the American Red Cross, who goes about among these hospitals and offers suggestions and advice.

Three hundred trained dietitians are now in service in hospitals, canteens or kitchens on Red Cross hospital trains in France. The American Expeditionary Force took with it a trained dietitian for each base hospital. These women are civilian employees of the Army, recruited through the Bureau of Dietitian Service of the American Red Cross.

Red Cross Model Farms.

For the double purpose of providing enough fresh milk and vegetables for sick soldiers in hospitals and well soldiers in canteens and providing healthful outdoor exercise for the patients well along in their convalescence the Red Cross has established a number of farms and dairies in connection with hospitals. Besides their great practical value they have given an enormous amount of entertainment to the men. The French government, more than interested, has loaned some thousands of cows, and altogether it is a scheme which appeals to everybody.

But it is not alone for the soldiers that the Red Cross does some of its thinking in terms of cooking and food-stuffs. The Bureau of Dietitian Service has helped to solve the food problem of civilian refugees.

The American Red Cross in France thinks in terms of huge figures, marvelous systems of transportation, tons of shipping space, and it also thinks in terms of the white of egg or orange juice for one single boy. That is why 22,000,000 people have affiliated themselves with the American Red Cross and why Christmas this year in the United States is marked by the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call.

MANY LIVES SAVED
IN MINNESOTA FIRE

Heroic devotion to duty on the part of Red Cross workers in northeastern Minnesota saved hundreds of lives, soothed untold pain and fed, housed and comforted tens of thousands of homeless refugees in the awful forest fires which devastated a district of 100 square miles.

The Duluth Red Cross immediately formed a committee, opened the armory, the churches and the courthouse as a temporary refuge for the victims. The canteen service in Duluth and also in Superior, Wisconsin, served hot meals. The First Aid Department of the Nursing Service had, physicians and nurses ready to meet all the incoming trains, and the Motor Corps scoured all the roads leading out of Duluth, bringing in hundreds of people who were exposed to extreme peril, and worked for 24 hours without pause for rest.

UNIVERSAL MEMBERSHIP.

The purpose of the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call, expressed in the fewest possible words, is to see that every man and woman in every city and community throughout the United States, and wherever Americans may be, has the opportunity to join the Red Cross or to renew his or her membership. Nothing short of universal membership is the goal. A 1919 Red Cross membership button is to be given to each person enrolling, as well as a Red Cross Service Flag, with a cross for each member of the family enrolled. Every home in America and every business office should have on display a Service Flag the week before Christmas, when the Roll Call will take place.



The Greatest Mother in the World
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All You Need is a Heart
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LEIPSIK PAPER DECLARES KAISER HAS
COMMITTED SUICIDE, SAYS COPENHAGEN

Message Says Former Emperor, Following Fit of Mental Depression, Fired Fatal Shot, Wounding Member of His Retinue Who Attempted to Prevent the Desperate Deed—No Confirmation Received as Yet.

NEW HEAD FOR NATIONAL
LEAGUE.

New York, Dec. 10.—Major league baseball owners and patrons will be particularly interested in the annual meeting of the National league which begins here today and probably will occupy the greater part of the week. The policy of the organization with regards to the coming season, together with numerous other after-the-war problems of vital importance will be threshed out at the meeting. But in addition to the usual more or less routine business the meeting of the magnates is expected to take definite action looking to the choice of a league president in succession to John K. Tener, who resigned near the close of last season. Since the Tener resignation the duties of the president have been performed by John A. Heydler, the veteran secretary-treasurer, who is now prominently mentioned for the presidency.

Since the organization of the National League, forty-two years ago, it has had only eight presidents, and one of them, Nick Young, was at the head of the organization during nearly half of that period.

When the league was formed in 1876 the first man selected to preside over its destinies was Morgan G. Bulkeley of Hartford, who later became nationally prominent as a United States senator from Connecticut. Although a warm friend of the game, Mr. Bulkeley had little time to devote to the executive and of the league and after one year retired from the office.

The following year the league was reduced to a six-club circuit, and William A. Hulbert, a Chicago lawyer, was elected president, a position he held for six years, showing remarkable ability, and doing perhaps more than any other one man of his day for the uplift of the national pastime.

Following the death of President Hulbert in 1882 the League selected as his successor A. G. Mills of New York, a man of the same sentiment and caliber as his predecessor. Mr. Mills was responsible for the original National agreement. When he retired from office at the end of two years of service he was succeeded by Nicholas E. Young of Washington, one of the best known figures in baseball. Mr. Young had acted as secretary and treasurer of the league from the day of its organization and was the master of every business detail of the game. He was elected president in 1885, and continued as the chief executive for 18 years. After the advent of the American league in 1901 he found the work too strenuous, and retired from office.

The next president of the league was Harry C. Pulliam, a young Louisville attorney, who was chosen head of the league in 1903, and died while serving his seventh year, John A. Heydler filling out Mr. Pulliam's unexpired term.

The seventh president of the league was Thomas J. Lynch of New Britain, Conn., who for years had been an umpire in the league. The election of Mr. Lynch came as a surprise to the public, as he was never mentioned in connection with the honor. His election was said to have been due largely to the fact that he was the personal choice of the late John T. Brush of the New York Giants, who at that time was the dominant figure in the league.

Mr. Lynch continued to serve at the head of the organization for four years. When he retired he was succeeded by John K. Tener, an old-time ball player who had risen to a seat in Congress and finally to the governorship of Pennsylvania. Mr. Tener was well equipped by experience and abilities for the duties of the office and it is generally acknowledged that he made a success of the job until differences arose with his brother members of the National Commission.

Mr. Tener was the only former ball player to serve in the presidency of the National league. Mr. Lynch, as before stated, had spent many years of his life as an umpire. Nick Young was chosen to the place because of his clerical abilities. Three of the other executives were lawyers by profession.

By Associated Press.

London, Dec. 10.—William Hohenzollern, former German emperor, has committed suicide following mental depression, according to the Leipzig Tageblatt, which is quoted in a Copenhagen despatch. A member of the former emperor's retinue, who attempted to prevent Herr Hohenzollern from carrying out his intention, received a wound, it is said.

Forming Royalist Party.

Paris, Dec. 10.—Prince Henry of Prussia, brother of the former emperor of Germany, has proclaimed the establishment of a royalist party in Germany, according to reports from Holland.

More Soldiers Arrived.

New York, Dec. 10.—Bringing 2,450 American soldiers, the British transport Empress of British arrived here today. Among the troops were 405 wounded, included 10 officers, David H. Seeley of Corsicana, Texas, died en route. The body was brought here.

Releasing American Prisoners.

Berlin, Dec. 10.—Twenty-six hundred American prisoners of war interned at Camp Rastatt left there yesterday for Switzerland. Two hundred other prisoners who have been scattered in various camps in Germany are leaving by way of Holland and Denmark. It is expected the last of the Americans will be out of the German camps by the middle of this week.

Counter Revolution On.

Copenhagen, Dec. 10.—The counter revolutionary movement is in full swing at Potsdam, according to Berlin despatches. The soldiers' and workmen's council at Hamburg has announced the discovery of a plot for a counter revolutionary coup there on Monday night. It was planned to arrest the members of the soldiers' and workmen's council, repress the workmen by armed force and re-establish the former authorities. Several conspirators have been arrested.

It Was Not Mayence.

London, Dec. 10.—American forces entered Mayen, near Coblenz, on Friday. This was reported by the Wolff bureau of Berlin as an entry into Mayence.

Entered Aix-la-Chapelle.

Cologne, Dec. 10.—French and American troops officially entered Aix-la-Chapelle today and took over the occupation of that city from Belgian troops. Allied flags were flown in the Frederick William Place.

REVENUE BILL IS
NOW BEFORE SENATE

TO YIELD SIX BILLIONS FOR GOVERNMENT'S PEACE EXPENSES NEXT YEAR

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 10.—A war revenue bill, revised to yield approximately six billion dollars for peace expenses of the government next year, and carrying imposts which will insure taxes amounting to four billions in 1920, was before the senate today for debate.

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TODAY'S EVENTS.

Twenty years ago today saw the signing of the peace treaty ending the war between the United States and Spain.

The annual convention of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs will be entertained at Augusta today and tomorrow.

Municipal elections will be held in numerous cities of Massachusetts today with the liquor question figuring as a prominent issue.

Problems of importance to the fruit growers will be discussed at the annual convention of the Washington State Horticultural Association, opening today at Spokane.

United Confederate veterans of Florida will rally at Tallahassee today for the opening of the annual reunion of their State camp.

Steps to promote the stock-breeding industry will be discussed by the North Carolina Livestock association at its annual convention to assemble today at Charlotte.

Hartford, Conn., is to be the meeting place today of the annual session of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions.

"Women's Citizenship in the Community, Home and Nation" will be the general topic at the annual convention of Manitoba Women, which is to begin its sessions today at Winnipeg.

A State conference is to meet at Des Moines today to perfect plans for a campaign of education to encourage the farmer in the use of woman labor and to encourage women and girls to seek these new channels of service.

where the allied generals, assembled to take the salute of the troops.

Won't Go to Germany.

Paris, Dec. 10.—President Wilson is quoted as making the following reply to a report that Premier Ebert and Foreign Secretary Haase of the Berlin government and Premier Eisner of Bavaria were about to make an effort to get the president to visit Germany:

"Only by long years of repentance can Germany atone for her crimes and show sincerity; no true American could think of visiting Germany unless forced to do so by strictly official obligations. That is to say, I decline in advance to consider any suggestion of the kind."

Will Postpone Date.

Amsterdam, Dec. 10.—The Lokal Anzeiger of Berlin says it learns from competent sources that Marshal Foch has agreed to postpone the date for the surrender of all German locomotives until February 1.

Under Control of Americans.

Coblentz, Dec. 10.—Coblentz today is under complete military control of the Americans, with the municipal authorities co-operating.

Troops Will Shoot.

Munich, Dec. 10.—Warning the people of Bavaria that the troops have been instructed to use their weapons ruthlessly if necessary, Premier Eisner has called upon the people to maintain order and not repeat the disturbances of Friday.

Called to Europe.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The industrial members of President Wilson's "war cabinet" which met at the White House every Wednesday during America's participation in the war, will join the president in Paris as a unit and act as his advisers at the peace conference on the economic, industrial and reconstruction problems of Europe affecting the future peace of the world.

W. S. S.

WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day:
Tonight fair; colder; frost. Wednesday fair; colder.

Local Weather Report.

The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today.
Max. temp. 76 degs.
Min. temp. 61 degs.
General direction of wind: Southeast.
Cloudy.

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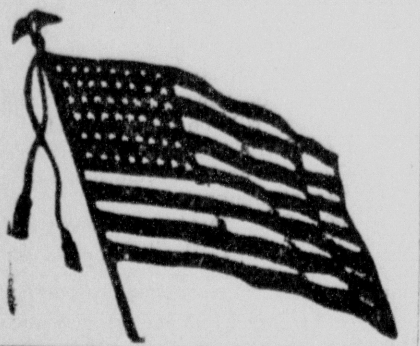
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... This paper has enlisted with the government in the cause of America for the period of the war -

From Monday's Daily.

WHY IT FAILED.

Count von Bernstorff, in explaining why the German propaganda instituted by Bernhard Dernburg failed, told the Berlin office that it was partly due to the fact that it was impossible to keep secret the knowledge that an American newspaper had been subsidized.

We boast of a free press, and it is one thing of which we are proudest. No newspaper may be suppressed in this free country of ours except for doing things which are contrary to the law. And no matter what the personal views of the editor, or of the company which publishes the paper, or of the readers of that paper, it may continue to be published until it violates our laws.

But the American people are touchy about a subsidized newspaper. They always view it with suspicion, whether it be an endowed concern published for the benefit of the person or family endowing it, or is merely subsidized by some clique or party to suppress a part of the news and "play up" the rest to attain some particular end.

When certain newspapers, while claiming to be patriotic and loyal, began the support of the German propaganda in this country, it naturally aroused suspicion. There were many who were not opposed to the German success who were annoyed by the constant repetition of what the world owed to Germany, and they began to "smell a rat."

So it was easy to discover what newspapers were subsidized, for up to a certain point the subsidies were paid by check, and all was open and above-board, so far as the financial connection of the German propagandists with the aforesaid newspapers was concerned.

The work of the real German papers was not even disguised. And the American newspapers which accepted the German money for boosting Germany's claims to the sympathy of the Americans were almost as bold.

Then came the Lusitania outrage, and public sentiment began to change, almost over night. Then the subsidized newspapers attempted to cover their tracks, fearing that public sentiment would not only make it dangerous for them to accept German gold, but also make their efforts futile, so far as "spreading the German propaganda" was concerned.

The propaganda was mostly clumsy, although once in a while a subtle bit of work was done which showed that a master mind was behind the propaganda in the Fatherland. The people easily saw through most of the shams, and thus the Germans failed, after spending enormous amounts for the sole purpose of influencing American thought in favor of Germany.

It is not true that up to the time of the sinking the Lusitania, as has been alleged, there was a chance for Germany to secure the sympathy of the American people. Even the subsidized newspapers could not minimize the stories of German atrocities in France and Belgium, stories which

are now acknowledged to be true by the cynical Germans, who are not even ashamed to be caught in a lie.

But there was a great deal of sympathy for the German people, no matter what the general opinion of the German government, and it had been skillfully fostered by the subsidized American newspapers.

It is unfortunate that there are in this day some newspapers which can be bought by almost any purchaser with the price. It is degrading to the other newspapers, which are almost entirely above such a debasing practice.

But it is gratifying to know that there are so few of the papers which are purchasable. With the exception of one or two syndicates, which maintain a string of newspapers throughout the country, it is safe to say that not one newspaper in ten thousand could be bribed into carrying anything which was not for the best interests of our country and our people.

As a rule, too, the newspapers are moral, no matter what they have to print for the reading public. There is much more that is not printed than there is which sees the light of day. And it is the pride of every newspaperman that he is not for sale, no matter what the average person may believe.

THE SOLDIER PROBLEM.

Reports come from various large cities, according to a press despatch from New York, that the problem of what to do with the discharged soldiers is becoming serious. The despatch states that many soldiers, when given the money to pay their transportation home, make a bee line for the large cities and remain there until their money is spent, after which they find it almost impossible to get employment, as most of them are unskilled at any trade.

The solution of this problem rests mainly with the soldiers themselves. The present situation is not new. Twenty years ago, when the Spanish War was ended, there were thousands of soldiers in the same condition. Many of them were without other money than their final pay and their transportation home. They wanted to see something of the world, and many of them remained in New York and other large cities until their last cent was spent and then asked help to get home.

The government can do little to remedy this situation. A man who is old enough to be a soldier is old enough to look after himself, and those who are least capable of doing so would resent the interference of the government in their private affairs.

It is taken for granted that the discharged soldiers would be given a warm welcome at home, where there would undoubtedly be jobs for those who sought them. Those who were employed before they enlisted would be given a chance for their old positions. And the majority of these who volunteered and are now the first to be discharged were either young men who do not need government aid, or men who were employed and who would be taken back upon application.

The problem of the unemployed is going to be more serious in future than it now is. The four millions of men who formed our armies will have to be "decanted" back into the ranks of industry and of professional life somewhat slowly to avoid disturbing the balance of present conditions.

Now that restrictions on building and other industries are removed, there will be a great demand for all sorts of labor, skilled as well as unskilled. Many factories which hastily adapted their plants to the manufacture of war munitions will be exerting every endeavor to return to their normal conditions, and for many months to come there will be a world demand for American-made goods such as was never before known.

There will be work for millions, and

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Presage Heavy Rain, Though the
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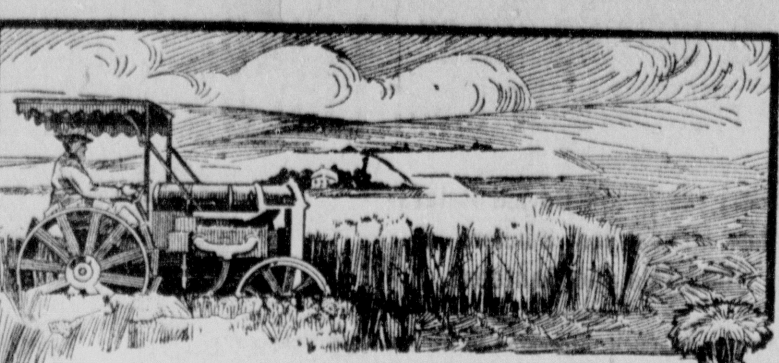
A recurrence of the kind of weather which prevailed here several days ago has overshadowed Laredo with clouded skies and threatening rain, but so far the rain has appeared in a very light form, a mere mist, but if the weather continues as it is the indications are that there will be a good rain before there is a rift in the clouds, though weather conditions in this section are changeable without notice and tomorrow may be clear and fair again.

The recent rains which visited this section have proven of inestimable value to farmers and stockmen, putting a fine season in the ground for truck and onions, while for the cattleman it has brought smiles by reason of the fact that the ranges will soon be carpeted with nutritious young grasses to carry cattle and live stock generally through the winter months.

W. S. S.

Automobile Opportunities.

A responsible auto dealer will be in Laredo about January 10th with several good used cars; Buick, Reo, Hudson Sixes, also good five passenger Fords. If you would be interested in a good car address: "Autos" care Times. 12-7-21.



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H. W. LEWIS, Federal Director for Texas

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS.

DECEMBER 9.

Maj. Gen. Andre W. Brewster, U. S. A., who has been in command of one of the American divisions in France, born in New Jersey, 56 years ago today.

Brig. Gen. Benjamin D. Foulols, U. S. A., who served as head of the air service of the American "First Army" in France, born in Connecticut, 39 years ago today.

Prince Peter Kropotkin, famous Russian writer and thinker, who was forced to live in exile many years, born 76 years ago today.

Meredith Nicholson, author of "The House of a Thousand Candles" and other popular novels, born at Crawfordsville, Ind., 52 years ago today.

Thomas W. Hardwick, United States senator from Georgia, born at Thomasville, Ga., 46 years ago today.

W. S. S.

Heal Skin Diseases

It is unnecessary for you to suffer with eczema, blotches, ringworm, rashes and similar skin troubles. A little zemo, obtained at any drug store for 35c, or \$1.00 for extra large bottle, and promptly applied will usually give instant relief from itching torture. It cleanses and soothes the skin and heals quickly and effectively most skin diseases.

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many of those who took up work of some sort merely to help out will be ready to drop out and give the positions to the returning soldiers.

No discharged soldier should risk going to a city distant from his home unless he has sufficient money to tide him over until he secures a position of some sort. The cities are the dumping ground for all sorts of working people, as well as clerks, stenographers, etc. The men who return to their own homes will naturally be given the preference over men from other places, even though the latter wear the uniform of a discharged soldier.

After all, the soldiers are being treated well by the government. They receive an extra month's pay upon their discharge, with travel pay at the rate of four cents a mile to the place of enlistment. In addition, they are permitted to retain their uniforms and all other army clothing they have, and custom permits them to wear the uniform for three months after the date of discharge.

It is improbable that many of the soldiers have saved any of their pay. A great proportion of them have made allotments of their pay to their families, have paid their monthly premiums on their life insurance, and have had very little to spend. But a man with \$20 or more in his pocket and a free ticket home is not by any means destitute. And the nearer he is to his home, the less reason for his becoming a public charge for lack of employment.

The problem can be easily solved if the discharged soldiers will help. And unless they do they will find themselves in difficulties, for the government cannot afford to dry nurse them forever.

W. S. S.

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12-7-21

LOCAL NEWS

—The following marriage license has been issued by the county clerk since last report: Salvador Vargas and Miss Maria Martinez.

—Call O. C. Ulmer phone 1085 for prices on Bushel Baskets, Slack Barrels or crates for packing vegetables, before buying elsewhere. Place order now for prices are advancing. 11-30-11

—The importations through this port from Mexico today consisted of one carload of rubber.

—Edward Green, florist. Day and night phone Crockett 4107. Ave. C. at 8th St., San Antonio, Texas. 2-25-11.

—Miss Elisa Cortez of Buenos Aires, who is now in Laredo, will speak tonight in the Red Men's Hall, Wilcox Building, on the labors of the Woman's Christian Association and the International Institute which is to be established in Laredo. The public in general, as well as the ladies in particular, are invited to attend.

—When in need of a plumber phone 1203. Juarez Plumbing, 419 Matamoros street. 2-11-11.

—The Belmont. Rooms and apartments. 602 Main Ave. Phone 576 or 1017. 6-20-11.

—Robert McCulloch of Laredo has been appointed as district deputy grand master of the 41st district by the new grand master of the Masonic lodge in Texas, according to the list of appointments announced by that official.

—We paint automobiles; also make auto tops. Fidel Cantu, Phone 262. 6-15-11.

—The Crescent Garage is the busiest shop in town. Why? 4-10-11.

—"Shoulder Arms," the play by Charley Chaplin at the Royal on Saturday and Sunday, was a genuine laugh-provoking comedy of the Chaplin kind—in fact all who have seen the inimitable Chaplin in other comedies give it as their opinion that "Shoulder Arms" was the best Chaplin comedy yet. The Royal was crowded to the vestibule at all shows Saturday and Sunday.

—Teacher of Gregg Shorthand and Spanish and English. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office; residence 812 Farragut street. 4-27-11.

—The Crescent Garage is the busiest shop in town. Why? 4-10-11.

—A letter from J. W. Kenney, former secretary of the Laredo Chamber of Commerce, now commissioner of the Board of Trade of Newcastle, Pa., says that he is doing well in his new place but that the city of Newcastle is now experiencing a severe epidemic of the Spanish influenza.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-11.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office; residence 812 Farragut street. Residence phone 348. 4-27-11.

—George H. Gittinger, aged 46 years, well known in Laredo, where he made his home with his family for several years, died at his home in San Antonio on Friday night after a short illness. Mr. Gittinger resided in this city up to about two years ago, having been in the employ of S. N. Johnson.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 1-9-11.

W. S. S.

NO LIMIT ON SUGAR.

On account of the further accumulation of sugar by Louisiana refiners, also beet refiners, and exceedingly good prospects for the Cuban sugar crop being available shortly, the Food Administration has decided to withdraw their request for consumers to limit their consumption to 4 pounds per person per month.

General Orders 8 and 9 for public eating places, are also rescinded. These general orders refer to the consumption for 90 meals, also the use of sugar bowls on the table.

E. A. PEDEN,
Federal Food Administrator for Texas.

W. S. S.

Notice.

To all contractors and our customers: Mr. Ed. H. Sanchez is no longer connected with the Laredo Plumbing Company. We have the same workmen as before, and are prepared to do plumbing, tinning and gasfitting at short notice.

Laredo Plumbing Company. 12-4-10.



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FOR INDIGESTION

TIMES WANT ADS.
Money Makers

COPY ARMY ORDER PRAISING TEXAS DIVISION RECEIVED

Panther Division is Congratulated for Gallantry in Action in Fighting Along the Meuse River.

The gallantry of Texas lads, of the 36th Division, in the severe fighting along the Meuse during the early part of October, is now history, General Pershing, in his report to Secretary of War Baker, recounting the heroism of the Texans, says officially:

Headquarters, 141st U. S. Infantry, A. E. F. A. P. O. No. 796, October 21st, 1918.

The following is published for the information of all concerned: Headquarters, 36th Division, A. E. F.—Memorandum to the Command:

The following General Order, Headquarters, 21st A. C., October 14, 1918, is published for the information of this command:

"The 36th Division, U. S., recently organized, and still not fully equipped, receiving during the night of the 6th-7th October, the order to relieve under conditions particularly delicate, the Second Division, to drive out the enemy from the heights to the North of St. Etienne-Arnes, and to rush him back to the Aisne.

"Although being under fire for the first time, the young soldiers of General Smith, rivalling in push and tenacity, with the older and valiant regiments of General Lejeune, accomplished their mission fully. All can be proud of the work done. To all, the General commanding the Army Corps, is happy to express his cordial appreciation; gratitude and best wishes for future successes. The past is an assurance of the future."

"GENERAL MAULIN."
By command of Maj. Gen. Smith.
E. J. Williams, Colonel, Chief of Staff.

Official: A. M. Owsley, Major, Infantry, U. S. A., Adjutant.

Headquarters 36th Division, A. E. F., A. P. O. No. 796, 16 October, 1918. Memorandum:

Following message by telephone from Corps is announced to the command:

"The General commanding the Corps wishes to congratulate the General commanding the 36th Division and the members of his command, upon the prompt compliance with Corps orders in the capturing of German prisoners on the night of October 14th."

By Command of Maj. Gen. Smith.
E. J. WILLIAMS,
Colonel, Chief of Staff.
Official Alvin M. Owsley, Major, Infantry, U. S. A., Adjutant.

Note:—Insofar as is known at these Headquarters, the above mentioned prisoners were captured by patrols of the 141st Infantry, of which Sergeant P. J. Hennessey, Co. "F," 141st Inf., and Sergeant A. E. Marshall, 2nd Inf., Chief Scout, 141st Inf., were in charge. The energy and initiative shown by these non-commissioned officers is fully appreciated by the Regimental Commander, and is worthy of emulation by all members of this command.

By order of Lieut.-Col. James.
E. A. EVERSBERG, Captain,
141st U. S. Inf., Adjutant.

Heartburn is a symptom of indigestion. Take a dose of HERBINE in such cases. The pain disappears instantly. The bowels operate speedily and you feel fine, vigorous and cheerful. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists.

W. S. S.

Notice to the Public.
Beginning Jan. 1, 1919, we are going on a cash basis. This means that when you get your work you pay for it. If you do not get what you pay for, you will do us a favor by letting it be known.

Border Foundry and Machine Co. 12-6-1m.

CONSTIPATION

And Sour Stomach Caused This Lady Much Suffering. Black-Draught Relieved.

Meadorsville, Ky.—Mrs. Pearl Patrick, of this place, writes: "I was very constipated. I had sour stomach and was so uncomfortable. I went to the doctor. He gave me some pills. They weakened me and seemed to tear up my digestion. They would gripe me and afterwards it seemed I was more constipated than before."

I heard of Black-Draught and decided to try it. I found it just what I needed. It was an easy laxative, and not bad to swallow. My digestion soon improved. I got well of the sour stomach, my bowels soon seemed normal, no more griping, and I would take a dose now and then, and was in good shape.

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MRS. W. C. BURR SUCCUMBED TO PROLONGED ILLNESS

Came to the Laredo Section in 1887 From Moore and Had Resided Here With Her Family Ever Since.

Mrs. Charlotte Harrison Burr, wife of W. C. Burr, died at her home on the Chacon Farm three miles southeast of Laredo on Saturday night at about 11 o'clock, death following an illness that extended over several months. Deceased was a native of Illinois, where she was born sixty-six years ago and was married to W. C. Burr in 1870. In 1882 Mr. and Mrs. Burr and children moved to this section of Texas, settling at the little town of Moore, 100 miles north of Laredo, and 1887 removed to this city, where they have since resided.

Besides her husband, deceased, is survived by two sons, Eldo H. Burr, train dispatcher of the Frisco at Newburg, Mo., and J. Guy Burr, manager and editor of the Laredo Record, and two daughters, Miss Minnie Burr and Mrs. A. R. Vidaaurri, of this city, also three sisters, Mrs. Will Seaber and Mrs. W. F. Spiker of Benton, Illinois, and Mrs. J. C. Snider of Christopher, Illinois, also one brother, Lemuel Harrison, of Carbondale, Illinois, all of whom have the sympathy of many friends.

The funeral took place from the home of Mrs. A. R. Vidaaurri, 2000 Market street, to the Baptist church, of which deceased was a member many years, where services were conducted by Rev. Arthur Beddoe, and then the procession moved to the city cemetery, where interment was made in the family burial plot. Many beautiful floral tributes were sent to the Vidaaurri home, all attesting the high regard in which the deceased was held in the community where she had resided with her family for the past thirty-one years.

The following served as pall-bearers at the funeral this morning: Active—J. R. Moore, J. E. Trout, C. M. Henry, W. B. Heaner, A. H. Camp and T. A. Austin. Honorary—Col. C. G. Brewster, J. W. Thompson, F. M. Ramsay, John Colman, W. R. Pace, Charles Bell.

Gas in the stomach comes from food which has fermented. Get rid of this badly digested food as quickly as possible if you would avoid a bilious attack; HERBINE is the remedy you need. It cleanses and strengthens the stomach, liver and bowels, and restores energy and cheerfulness. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists. x

W. S. S.

NOTICE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

County of Webb.
To those indebted to or holding claims against the Estate of Mrs. Edwards Calahan Dodd, deceased: The undersigned having been duly appointed executrix of the Estate of Mrs. Edwards Calahan Dodd, deceased, late of Webb County, Texas, by order of the County Court of said County on the 20th day of November, A. D. 1918, during a regular term thereof, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to her at her residence in Laredo, Webb County, Texas, where she receives her mail, this 27th day of November, A. D. 1918.

Lora Marie Calahan Tonkin,
Executrix of the Estate of Mrs. Edwards Calahan Dodd, Deceased.

W. S. S.

THE INFLUENZA SITUATION IN LAREDO NOT ALARMING

There Are a Few Cases Reported in This City, But They Are of a Very Mild Nature in Every Instance.

While a number of places in Texas report that the influenza has reappeared and is on the increase, the situation in Laredo, where there are a few cases, is not alarming, as the cases that are here at this time are reported to be of a mild nature compared with the epidemic of a month or so ago.

The schools and public gatherings here have not been stopped by any quarantine regulations, and the situation at the military reservation does not warrant measures of that nature there, either, and it is hoped that the last traces of the ailment will wholly disappear in a short time.

REMAINS ARRIVE TOMORROW MORNING; FUNERAL AT ONCE

Funeral of Private W. H. Lake Takes Place From Railway Station to Church With Military Honors.

The remains of Private William H. Lake, U. S. Marines, son of Mr. and Mrs. George T. Lake of North Laredo, who died in Paris Island, S. C., several days ago following an illness from meningitis, will reach Laredo tomorrow morning at 8:15 o'clock, being met at the station by a detachment of soldiery from Fort McIntosh.

The funeral of Private Lake will take place immediately after the arrival of the body from the railroad station to St. Peter's Catholic church, with full military honors, and after the funeral services at the church conducted by Rev. Father John McLoyle the procession, in charge of the military, will proceed to the Catholic cemetery, where interment will take place.



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SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Monday.
There will be an executive meeting of the Woman's Club at the Library at 10 o'clock in the morning.
Tuesday.
The Junior Auxiliary of Christ Church will hold their regular weekly meeting at the Rectory at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.
The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church will meet at the church at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.
The Tuesday Music and Literary Club will meet at 4 o'clock in the afternoon at the home of Mrs. Pierce Nye.
Community Singing at the Soldiers Club in the evening.

The Homeward Trail.

I seem to hear, in dreams at night
And in the song of birds by day,
The tramp of feet both swift and light
Of men upon the homeward way:
Of men who, as they march along,
Rend the air with mighty song—
"Peace is ours—a world set free—
For home—for love—and liberty!"
—Rayner Deane.

General Mention.

Mrs. H. V. Puig is jubilant over the receipt of the announcement that she is great-grandma to a fine boy, born Dec. 4, to Mr. and Mrs. James Rast, of San Antonio. Mrs. Rast was formerly Miss Eleanor Hebborn of this city.

Master Jack Scribner, son of Mrs. Mrs. Lena Scribner, who underwent an operation for appendicitis Saturday at Mercy Hospital, is doing nicely today.

Mrs. Hal W. Greer left this morning for Corpus Christi, where she will meet her daughter, Mrs. F. T. Higgins, and children of Sulphur, La. Mr. Higgins will arrive in time to spend the Christmas holidays here.

Miss Virginia Roach, who has been ill for several days, is reported better today.

Little Miss Emory Roach of Hebbornville is the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. A. L. Roach.

Mrs. A. L. Roach has received word from her grandson, Sgt. John A. Gray of Co. B, 141st Infantry, in France. He is well and was among those who went "over the top."

Mr. Harry De Milly, who left here about a month ago for his home at 1909 24th St., Galveston, thinking a rest would benefit his health, is very sick. Mrs. De Milly left several days ago, having received a telegram to come at once.

Mr. F. S. Ulmer who has been in Mexico on a business trip, passed through the city the latter part of the week en route to his home in Houston.

Mrs. Dow of Pearsall, who has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Peyton Kerr for the past two weeks returned home yesterday.

Mrs. R. A. Bigden and daughter, Miss Doris Bigden, have returned from a two weeks' stay in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Bruni are expected home the early part of the week from San Antonio. Mr. Bruni, who has been at Camp Stanley, received his discharge from the army last week.

Miss Wilhelmina Born, who has made her home in Laredo for the past several months, expects to return to Corpus Christi about the middle of December.

Cullee Mann, who has been attending the officers' training camp at Camp Stanley, returned home on Friday.

Ms. Lee Vollmer and little son of Palestine are expected in Laredo this week to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Irwin.

The many friends of Mrs. Frank Nye will be delighted to know that she was able to go home from Mercy Hospital yesterday. She is convalescing rapidly after a recent illness.

Miss Dolly Churchill of Santo Tomas is spending a few days in the city.

Lieut. and Mrs. J. A. Haaga returned Saturday from El Paso.

Master Joe Rodriguez, who is attending school at St. Louis College in San Antonio, will arrive in Laredo on

the 20th to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents.

Announcements.

The young men will give a dance at Elks Hall Friday evening, commencing at 8:30 o'clock.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church will hold an important business meeting at the church on Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. There will be the annual election of officers and a Harvest Day program will also be given.

The Busy Bee Club wish to announce that they will hold a Children's Carnival on Saturday afternoon, December 14th, in the building formerly occupied by the Laredo Water Co. The hour will be announced later. The proceeds will go to pay their pledge to the Victory Girls. There will be a number of delightful attractions provided for the amusement of the young people and refreshment booths will also be in evidence. Mrs. G. W. Derby, Mrs. J. B. Morton and Mrs. J. T. Halsell will assist the members with the entertainment.

Club Notes.

The Busy Bees held a called meeting Saturday afternoon at the home of the president, Emilie Halsell. Plans were perfected for the Children's Carnival which will be given under the auspices of the Busy Bees on Saturday, December 14th, in the building formerly occupied by the Laredo Water Co. on Farragut Street. Those present were Misses Lois and Dorothy Derby, Minerva G'Sell, Josephine Brewster, Hattie May Bryan, Dorothy Morton, Rosalie Biggio, Marjorie Lou Fish, Emilie Halsell and Mrs. J. B. Morton and Mrs. J. T. Halsell.

The annual business meeting of the Married Ladies Social Club was held Saturday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock at the home of the president, Mrs. T. A. Austin. Mrs. Cogley, the secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting and made a report on the money contributed to the Red Cross. Several matters of importance were discussed. A motion was made and carried that all the members would each donate a certain amount each month and this will be given to home charities, as the club sees fit. The members also pledged themselves to assist as a club in any social work to help "carry on." It was made a rule that all games would begin promptly at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon during the season. Three new members were voted in: Mrs. Robert McComb, Mrs. Joe Vidales and Mrs. H. W. Johnston.

Entertainment.

The home of Judge and Mrs. Hal Greer was the scene of a most delightful event on Saturday evening when the ladies who assisted in nursing the influenza patients at Fort McIntosh entertained with a dinner party honoring the soldier boys from the hospital corps. The dinner was served from two long tables, one being in the dining room and the other was placed in the living room. The decorative note was carried out in the national colors; one table was centrally adorned with a large basket filled with red meteor roses and candlesticks carrying red, white and blue tapers were placed on either end. The other had a handsome calendar holding tri-colored tapers, and baskets of red roses graced either side. A delicious four-course dinner was served and covers were laid for about fifty guests. At the conclusion of the repast the remainder of the evening was passed in playing old fashioned games and a number of popular songs were also sung. The honorees had a most delightful time and every one enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent.

Christmas Roll Call Committee Meeting.

Mrs. C. S. McKinney, Chairman of the Christmas Roll Call campaign for American Red Cross Membership, has called a meeting of all members of committees appointed to assist in planning and completing this campaign in the most satisfactory manner. The conference is called for 2:30 o'clock at Market Hall Monday afternoon, December 9th. Every one interested in Red Cross work and especially the committees, appointed should be sure to remember the place and the hour and attend this meeting.

Woman's Garden Club.

In order that all the ladies may understand more about the details of the plan to have a series of talks by Professor Mally, on garden crops for the winter and spring as well as the planting of rose bushes and other shrubbery and the pruning of same, there will be a preliminary meeting of all the ladies interested, in connection with the session of the committee of the Woman's Club at Market Hall at the usual hour Monday evening, December 10th.

It is the purpose of all interested in this work to form a regular class so that the movement to encourage more Home Gardens and better attention to same, will be productive of the best results. The lectures will be a regular

series of thirty minute talks, covering the whole subject. Of course any of the ladies will be welcome to attend and invited to attend, even though they do not join the class. Nor is it necessary to be a member of the Woman's Club, in order to have the privilege of attending these lectures. The Home Garden contests may be entered by those who desire. It is not necessary for those hearing the talks on this garden work to pledge themselves to put in a small garden. The Woman's Club is merely trying to co-operate with the A. & M. College and Professor Mally in a more intelligent effort, and at a better organized effort for the Home Garden Work. The best results cannot be secured by the "hit and miss" attendance, and hence the work should be well organized in order that it may be profitable. Professor Mally is a busy man and it is merely a courtesy on his part to co-operate with the Woman's Club, in trying to assist the ladies of our city who are interested in better Home Gardens.

PERSONALS

Mrs. G. D. Floyd of Atlanta, Ga., has arrived in Laredo to spend some time as the guest of her son, A. H. Floyd, being met en route at San Antonio by Mr. and Mrs. Floyd.

Stomach Trouble.

"Before I used Chamberlain's Tablets I doctored a great deal for stomach trouble and left nervous and tired all the time. These tablets helped me from the first, and inside of a week's time I had improved in every way," writes Mrs. L. A. Drinkard, Jefferson City, Mo.

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY IN THE WAR.
Italians succeeded in checking the enemy in the battle of Asiago. Cossack counter-revolution broke out in Southern Russia. Italian destroyers penetrated Trieste harbor and torpedoed two Austrian warships.

Wheezing in the lungs indicates that phlegm is obstructing the air passages. BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP loosens the phlegm so that it can be coughed up and ejected. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day:
NO REPORT.
Local Weather Report.
The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today.
Max. temp. 78 degs.
Min. temp. 60 degs.
General direction of wind: South-east.
Clear.

Sickly children need WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE. It not only destroys worms, if there be any, but it acts as a strengthening tonic in the stomach and bowels. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

SNAP SHOTS.

If the collateral facts could be developed it might be discovered that Cal killed Abel for telling him a mother-in-law joke.

Our guess is that the surgeons would be better pleased with Spanish influenza if it offered opportunities to operate with edged tools.

As a general thing, the girls lose interest in a young man after they see him pushing a baby buggy and followed by a lady with a bundle under her arm.

Maybe you also have noticed that when there are eight closets and one rag bag in a man's home his wife fills the closets and he fills the rag bag.

What has become of the old-fashioned capable woman who used to intern her husband in the smoke-house for the duration of the jag?

Mrs. Isley's Letter.

In a recent letter Mrs. D. W. Isley of Litchfield, Ill., says, "I have used Chamberlain's Tablets for disorders of the stomach and as laxative, and have found them a quick and sure relief." If you are troubled with indigestion or constipation these tablets will do you good.

BRITISH TROOPS HURRIED TO COLOGNE TO MAINTAIN ORDER AND NOW REACHING CITY

Nature of Trouble in Noted Rhine City Not Stated, but Reported that Red Forces and Their Opponents have Clashed and that Situation Demands the Sending of Armed Forces to Quell Disturbance.

ART SMITH AS INSTRUCTOR.

By Associated Press.
Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 9.—Art Smith, the famous civilian aviator, has been assigned to Carruthers Field, Fort Worth, as an instructor.

TEXAS DRIES AGAIN ACTIVE.

Austin, Texas, Dec. 9.—Arrangements are making for a State mass convention of Texas prohibitionists to be held here this week for the purpose of laying plans for a campaign looking to the adoption of an amendment to the State constitution prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors.

A special session of the last legislature, called by Gov. W. P. Hobby for the purpose of enacting emergency war legislation, passed a Statewide prohibition bill, as well as a 10-mile zone law that would be repealed automatically with the signing of a treaty of peace marking the end of the war. The Statewide law has since been declared unconstitutional by the Texas appellate courts, and since the war is ended and peace is in sight, the early repeal of the zone law is certain. This brings the need for additional prohibition legislation to the fore, and the prohibitionists are laying their plans accordingly.

At the recent general election in Texas, a majority of prohibitionists were elected to both branches of the legislature, and the prohibitionists believe now is a good time to push their fight. They are of the belief that the proposed amendment will be submitted by the legislature without a hard fight, and that it will be adopted by the people.

TODAY'S EVENTS.

The Supreme Court of the United States reconvenes today after the Thanksgiving recess.

The annual convention of the Investment Bankers' Association of America is to open today at St. Louis.

The Pacific International Livestock Show, one of the largest exhibitions of its kind in America, opens today at Portland, Ore.

Of importance to the business interests of a wide section of the United States will be the Mississippi Valley Export Conference, which is to meet today at New Orleans.

A number of noted men are scheduled to address the Colorado Farmers' and Farm Woman's Congress, which is to assemble at Fort Collins today for a four-day session.

Recognition of the work of women and children on farms will be a feature of the annual convention of the Wisconsin Implement Dealers' Association, opening today at Milwaukee.

Vice President Marshall has accepted an invitation to deliver the opening address before the Southern Commercial Congress at Baltimore today. He will speak on the organization of a league to enforce peace.

Public health officials from all parts of the United States, Canada, Mexico and several of the South American countries are expected in Chicago today for the opening of the annual convention of the American Public Health Association, of which Charles J. Hastings of Toronto is president.

The question of the allotment of materials will be discussed at a meeting to be held at Atlantic City today of the War Service Committee of the hardware trade and representatives from the War Trade Board.

Today has been fixed as the date for beginning the recount of votes cast in the November election in New Hampshire for the short-term senatorship. The recount was asked for by John B. Jameson, Democrat, who was defeated on the face of the returns by George H. Moses, Republican.

Electric Bitters

Succeed when everything else fails in nervous prostration and female weaknesses they are the supreme remedy, as thousands have testified.

FOR KIDNEY, LIVER AND STOMACH TROUBLE

It is the best medicine ever sold over a druggist's counter.

By Associated Press.
Aix-la-Chapelle, Dec. 9.—British troops have been hurried to Cologne to maintain order, but what the nature of the trouble there has been or how serious is not stated in the brief unofficial announcement. It is reported that Red forces and their opponents have been rioting and the situation demands armed British forces. In the meantime British infantry has been pushed up as far as Dueren, which will be entered tonight.

Reached River Rhine.

London, Dec. 9.—British advance troops reached the river Rhine yesterday between Godesburg and Cologne, Marshal Haig announced today in reporting the progress of the British army of occupation. Godesburg is about 20 miles southeast of Cologne, near the Rhine above Bonn.

Americans Reach Rhine.

Amsterdam, Dec. 9.—American forces advancing toward the Rhine will reach Coblenz today, according to a message from Berlin, quoting a representative of the German foreign office who has just returned from Treves.

French Enter Mayence.

Paris, Dec. 9.—General Mangin will enter Mayence, the French bridgehead of the Rhine, this week at the head of the 13th and 43d infantry divisions, each unit of which has been cited for bravery, in order to meet the wishes of the various units which desire to enter Alsace-Lorraine and the Rhine provinces. The government has decided to change from time to time the troops in the occupied territory.

No American Executed.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Not a single member of the American army has been put to death since the beginning of the war because of the commission of a purely military offense, declared General Crowder today in his report to the secretary of war. Very few death sentences have been imposed and none of them were carried out. One enlisted man was tried and convicted of "being a spy."

Ordered to Quit Work.

Washington, Dec. 9.—All Germans above the class of common laborers were ordered to quit work in plants producing materials for the allies and German consuls in the United States were instructed to issue orders to this effect, according to extracts from Bernstorff letter made public by

EMBARGO ON SHORT SELLING IS LIFTED

PROHIBITION OF SPECULATIVE CONTRACTS REMOVED BY THE WAR BOARD.

By Associated Press.
New York, Dec. 9.—The prohibition against foreign and speculative short selling contracts on the New York and New Orleans cotton exchanges, which was placed in effect on November 13 as an emergency measure due to the signing of the armistice, was removed today by order of the committee on cotton distribution of the war industries board.

Cotton Ginning Report.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Cotton ginned prior to December 1 was 9,563,124 running bales, including 134,150 round bales, 101,170 bales American Egyptian, and 25,741 bales of Sea Island, the census bureau reported today.

IMPOSSIBLE.

A reader sends us this one: "I was going to raise some potatoes in my back yard this year, but didn't." "Why not?" "Well, I looked it up and found that potatoes had to be planted in hills, and my yard is as flat as a pancake."—Christian Register.

ECLIPSE OF SATELLITE JAPETUS.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—An unusually good opportunity for determining the flattening of the planet Saturn is predicted for tonight, on the occasion of the eclipse of the Saturnian satellite Japetus. Observations, however, will be possible only at points in the western hemisphere and Australia, as the eclipse begins shortly after 4 a. m. and ends just before 7 a. m., Eastern standard time.

FROM HERE AND THERE.

The Cunard liner Britannia, which was the first steamship to start a regular passenger service across the Atlantic, was not as big as the tenders which now take passengers to and from liners.

The Victoria Falls on the Zambesi are 2,000 yards wide and 450 feet deep. It is estimated that there is enough waste energy running there every day to run half the machinery of the world.

A few years ago a New Zealander on a visit to England entered a well-known auction room in London just in time to bid, had he so desired, for the mummy of a Maori chief who had once dined as a guest at his own table.

The mace of the Lord Mayor of London is carried before him upside down when he is attending a funeral, or the Sovereign is present. This is an acknowledgement of the two Powers that the above the Lord Mayor—the Sovereign and Death.

Napoleon was very superstitious, particularly in regard to broken mirrors. One, in Italy, he broke a looking-glass over Josephine's portrait. He immediately despatched a messenger to find out whether she was safe, and fretted until he knew that she was well.

When a code book of the British navy becomes obsolete or two dilapidated for further use it is destroyed by fire under conditions of great formality. Its title and number are checked and re-checked, entered in a register, and certified by the captain of the ship. The book is then placed in a furnace in the presence of a number of officers and reduced to ashes.

Bruce Bielecki today before the senate investigating committee.

No Substitute for Navy.

London, Dec. 9.—In an article in the Glasgow Sunday Post Winston Churchill declared that Great Britain will use all her influence to make the league of nations a powerful reality, but that she cannot regard it as a substitute for her own navy in any measurable period.

More Troops Arrive.

New York, Dec. 9.—The steamship Sierra arrived here today carrying 14411 American troops from training camps in England.

President's Daughter Sings.
Paris, Dec. 9.—Margaret W. Wilson, daughter of the president, arrived at Nazaire yesterday and sang before 3,500 American soldiers who will sail soon for home. Miss Wilson will sing at different cities along the seaboard while awaiting the arrival of the president.

PIMPLY? WELL, DON'T BE!

People Notice It. Drive Them Off with Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets

A pimply face will not embarrass you much longer if you get a package of Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets. The skin should begin to clear after you have taken the tablets a few nights.

Cleanse the blood, the bowels and the liver with Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets, the successful substitute for calomel; there's never any sickness or pain after taking them. Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets do that which calomel does, and just as effectively, but their action is gentle and safe instead of severe and irritating.

No one who takes Olive Tablets is ever cured with "a dark brown taste," a bad breath, a dull, listless, "no good" feeling, constipation, torpid liver, bad disposition or pimply face.

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets are a purely vegetable compound mixed with olive oil; you will know them by their olive color. Dr. Edwards spent years among patients afflicted with liver and bowel complaints, and Olive Tablets are the immensely effective result.

Take one or two nightly for a week. See how much better you feel and look. 10c and 25c per box. All druggists.

LAREDO'S WAR SACRIFICES.
(Peace to Their Ashes.)
Lieut. E. J. Cousineau,
Lieut. Luke W. Loftus,
Sergt. Percy R. Winch,
Sergt. George Bigden,
Sergt. Charles Woodul,
Sergeant Gustin K. Smith,
Sergeant Adam Bold,
Corporal Jack Correu,
Corporal Milus Little,
Corporal Leonardo Diaz,
Private Edmundo Lopez,
Private Benjamin Hastings,
Private Moises Carrejo,
Private Francisco Garcia,
Private Lorenzo Rendon,
Private Jose Ybarra,
Private Maurice Akabass,
Private Jose Zamora,
Private William Lake, U. S. M.

CASES CRIMINAL DOCKET SET FOR TRIAL THIS WEEK

Cases Set By District Attorney Will Begin on Wednesday and Conclude on Next Tuesday.

The following is a list of the cases on the criminal docket at the present term of district court which will be taken up for trial on Wednesday and continue as per schedule announced by District Attorney Valls, as follows:

December, 11—Gavino Flores, violation of ten mile zone law; Francisco Bolaños, violation of ten mile zone law.

December, 12—Tiburcia Gonzalez, importing liquor into State; Francisco Rivera, transporting woman in automobile to meet soldier in uniform for immoral purposes.

December, 13—Isidro Ortega, violation of ten-mile zone law; Florentino Martinez, assault to murder; Longino Solis et al, violation of ten-mile zone law.

December, 14—Agapito Barrera, violation of ten-mile zone law; Agapito Barrera, et al, violation of ten-mile zone law.

December, 16—Andres Ortiz, violation of ten-mile zone law; Servando Benavides, perjury.

December, 17—Prisciliano Gonzalez et al, conduct in an assignation house; Julio Rodriguez, violation of ten-mile zone law.

HERE FROM CORPUS CHRISTI TO ENJOY GOOD DEER HUNT

Chief of Police Will Petzel and R. J. Mushaway Will Be Led to the Deer Rendezvous by R. K. Mims.

Chief of Police Will Petzel and R. J. Mushaway, of Corpus Christi, arrived in Laredo yesterday afternoon and will be the guests of Royle K. Mims on a deer hunt in the country not far from Laredo.

The Corpus Christi gentlemen will be in this section for two or three days and hope to get a full supply of venison while away from their homes down the murmuring seashore, where ducks are plentiful, but deer are a rather scarce quantity this season.

Cash Lease.

See Frank W. Nye about oil and gas leases if you own land west of the I. & G. N. railroad, Webb County. Bank reference. 12-5-7t.

Parents, Attention!

If your boys cannot attend Day School, do you see that they go to Night School?

Do you violate the compulsory education law of the state?

Night school in the Central School Building.

JOHN REYNOLDS, Teacher.

11-30-10t.

Noted Speaker Coming.

Lieut. G. Charles Gray, Chaplain U. S. Army, will arrive in Laredo tomorrow morning and will address the people at Market Hall at 8 o'clock in the evening. Chaplain Gray is a well-known and noted speaker, and his address on the Christmas Roll Call of the Red Cross will no doubt stimulate interest in this worthy movement.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy. Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Catarrh Medicine was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years. It is composed of some of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The perfect combination of the ingredients in Hall's Catarrh Medicine is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal conditions. Send for testimonials, free.

J. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. All Druggists.

Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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A GERMAN PEACE.

It is strange that the German people, the German government—such as it is—and the diverse and adverse parties claiming the right to govern should demand a peace for Germany while within the territorial limits of that country there is neither peace nor hope of peace.

The only hope for the Germans at present lies in foreign occupation of the country, by armed forces strong enough to bring order out of chaos. Of course this is distasteful to the Germans, but it is their own fault that they cannot agree and form a government of their own.

With a great many of the people starving, with a reign of terror in several of the large cities, and with the disarmed troops returning to add to the confusion, there is little prospect of a satisfactory solution of the present problems until the terms of the allied governments are met.

It is useless for the Germans to talk of an "honorable" peace. They deserve even worse treatment than it appears they are about to receive at the hands of their justly indignant enemies. And not until there is some form of government which will guarantee the living up to the agreements entered into in the peace conferences will be there any disposition on the part of the allies to remit any of their terms.

The statement that it will take forty years for Germany to pay off the debt to Great Britain alone is staggering to the average mind. For it is certain that the losses of France, Belgium, Serbia and other countries will sum the total of the indemnities to a sum beyond the calculation of the ordinary person.

Let the Germans unite and eject the Bolsheviks who seem determined to ruin Germany as they ruined Russia. Let them agree upon some form of government which gives promise of being stable and permanent. Let them relinquish all hope of dictating terms to the allies, and surrender themselves completely to their conquerors.

Then there will be some hope of a composition of the present difficulties which now seem insuperable. There is no intent on the part of any of the allied nations to destroy Germany; they only desire to put it beyond the power of Germany in the future to be the firebrand of Europe.

The years of training which the German people have received under the guidance of Wilhelm are now bearing their fruit. The people are distrustful of even their friends, and they are disposed to take any sneaking advantage which obscure language might give them.

They must understand however, that the peace terms will be stated in such plain and unequivocal phraseology that no one can mistake their purport. They must understand that a strict compliance with all the terms, no matter how degrading they consider them, will be demanded and enforced.

If the present German government is wise, it will prepare the people for the inevitable, not stir them up to obstruct and delay the carrying out of the peace terms. It is immaterial to the allies whether the German people want a government of socialism or one of constitutional republicanism. They must make the promises required of them and keep them to the letter.

Naturally, it is the desire of the United States that Germany become a democracy. This is foreign to the German nature, but it is not impossible, for the reaction may drive them into adopting a form of government which is the absolute reverse of what they have been accustomed to.

But to meet the requirements of the peace terms, it will be necessary for the Germans to put a stop to anarchy and to unite upon some ideal of government which will give the people their proper representation; otherwise they will be unable to meet the obligations which will be imposed upon them.

It is useless for those who have not the moral backbone to oppose the present regime to think of emigrating. There are few countries which will henceforth be willing to receive German immigrants. They must work out their own salvation, pay their just debts and live as orderly as their nature will permit them to do.

A CHRISTMAS GIFT.

We are told that "It is more blessed to give than to receive," but it is possible at this Christmas time to give and at the same time receive. It is like getting money from home to give a dollar to the Red Cross, for you are one of the beneficiaries of the money that is given.

The work the Red Cross has done, is doing and will continue to do for the people of the world, as well as of our own country, is work that is so badly needed that without this great agency it could not be accomplished.

All the world will be busy in reconstruction within a few months. In some of the countries it has already begun. The work of reconstruction will be the most difficult in this country of any in the world. We have expended billions of dollars, we have lent money to all the allies, we have over two million soldiers across the ocean awaiting their turn to come home, and in addition we are forced

to do all we can to relieve the suffering of the destitute in Europe.

The latest news from the war zone indicates that our troops may have to remain in Europe—even in Siberia—for months to come, in order to help police the conquered countries and prevent the wronging of the civilian populations by the brutal Bolsheviks and the degraded German soldiers.

Not until another year has passed will there be a crop of foodstuffs in Russia, if even then. Not for another year will the people of Germany be able to raise even a small percentage of what they must have or starve. Not for another year—perhaps two—will the allied police forces be able to return to their respective countries and let the Germans and Russians work out their own destinies.

And this means that the Red Cross will be on duty until the last soldier shall have returned to his home; that the great organization will even then be obliged to care for civilians and help the widows and orphans re-establish themselves.

There are many ways in which your dollar will help do all these things. If you are not able to do your own housework, you employ a servant. And in this particular work, the Red Cross is your servant—a poorly paid servant, it is true, but the most faithful servant the world has ever known.

And it is your husband, son or brother who gets the benefit of all that you give, so that in giving you receive. Can anyone imagine for a moment that the service of the Red Cross could be secured by the payment of many times the amount it receives to any other human organization?

There is no organization in the world where the dollar contributed is so well and so wisely administered. It is almost all effective. There is so small a percentage of each dollar taken for administrative expenses, that it might be called 99 per cent effective. And this is because the Red Cross is our organization—yours and mine—and because the greater part of the membership is doing self-sacrificing work which no other organization could or would do.

The coming week will see the second Christmas drive for funds, as well as for membership. To do your share—your just share—would require much more than a dollar. But the Red Cross asks for a Christmas present of a dollar which entitles you to a year's membership, and you can thus feel that you are doing at least a small part of what you would like to do if you were better able.

The Christmas season is a time for gift-giving. All feel like doing something for those they love, while the Red Cross is doing all it can for people it never saw or heard of before. Your dollar may form a part of what is given to relieve the suffering of some family, starving while we have plenty. It may help to cure the wound of some member of your family, or the wound of someone you will never know.

But it will do its duty, and that is all that can be expected of anyone. If all the people did their duty as fully as the Red Cross dollars do theirs, it would be a world richer in every way. For your dollar, as soon as it receives the Red Cross stamp, begins to work for humanity.

TOOK HIM AN HOUR TO WALK A BLOCK

HAD TO HOBBLE AROUND ON TWO CANES—ABLE TO WORK FIRST TIME IN FOUR YEARS SINCE TAKING TANLAC.

"I hadn't been able to do a day's work in four years when I began taking Tanlac but I have gained thirty pounds and am now putting in full time every day," said J. C. Fisher, of Edmonds, Oklahoma.

"Four years ago," he continued, "I was taken down with typhoid fever that left me so weak and rundown I could just manage to hobble around on my two canes and it would actually take me an hour to go a block sometimes. I had catarrh badly and it gave me no end of trouble. My appetite was poor, and even the lightest food I could get would upset my stomach. I was miserable night and day and took all kinds of medicines without getting any better.

"I began to pick up immediately after I started on Tanlac and after I finished my third bottle, I threw away my canes and went back to work. I kept on taking Tanlac—have now taken five bottles, haven't missed a day's work since—the catarrh has disappeared, I can eat just anything I want to, sleep like a log and I sure thank Tanlac for my recovery."

Tanlac is sold in Laredo by Windrow Drug Co.

—W. S. S.—

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY IN THE WAR.

DECEMBER 10.

Cossacks in counter revolt aimed to seize authority in Southeastern Russia.

Roumania officially reported the conclusion of a three months' armistice with the Germans.

Italians retook observation trenches they had lost to the Austro-Germans on the Lower Piave line.

RECEIVED HIS DISCHARGE AND RETURNS TO HIS CITY

First Lieut. E. J. Foster, U. S. E., Arrived in Laredo Last Evening Resuming His Civil Work.

First Lieutenant E. J. Foster, U. S. Engineers, who left here about five weeks ago to report to his station with the engineering corps, returned to Laredo last evening, having received his discharge from the army as a result of the signing of the armistice and the demobilization of his command.

Mr. Foster who was county surveyor of Webb county at the time that he answered the call to the colors, returns to Laredo to resume his profession as civil engineer and also as county surveyor.

—W. S. S.—

For Croup. "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is splendid for croup," writes Mrs. Edward Hassett, Frankfort, N. Y. "My children have been quickly relieved of attacks of this dreadful complaint by its use." This remedy contains no opium or other narcotic, and may be given to a child as confidently as to an adult.

—W. S. S.—

AN APPRECIATION.

I desire to make this public expression of my deep gratitude to Dr. Francisco R. Canseco, who veritably brought me back from the grave. A few weeks ago I was taken to the hospital, unconscious, without sense of sight or hearing, and with my left side completely paralyzed. In fact, I was to all intents and purposes, a dead man. Dr. Canseco performed a cranial operation, exposing the brain, and proceeded to remove the cause of my illness. Within a few days after the operation, I not only recovered consciousness, but also the senses of sight and hearing, and now, within a short time of leaving the hospital, I feel myself completely recovered.

Words cannot express the gratitude I feel toward this man who, with God's help, has restored me to life and made life worth living.

INEZ GARCIA RAMON.

—W. S. S.—

CRIMINAL DOCKET IS SET FOR TRIAL HERE TOMORROW

Two Cases Will Be Taken Up Tomorrow and Others Will Follow in the Order in Which They Are Set.

Tomorrow morning in the district court here the cases which were returned through indictments by the last grand jury will be taken up for trial in the district court, the trial of the criminal docket beginning then and continuing until the 17th inst., when it is hoped the docket will be cleared.

The cases set for trial tomorrow are those against Gavino Flores and Francisco Bolados, both charged with violation of the ten-mile zone law.

—W. S. S.—

TODAY'S ANNIVERSARIES.

DECEMBER 10.

1783—Gen. Henry Leavenworth, the American soldier for whom the city of Leavenworth was named, born in Connecticut. Died in Indian Territory, July 21, 1834.

1837—At Mobile, Ala., Rev. P. J. M. Loras was consecrated first bishop of the new Roman Catholic diocese of Dubuque.

1842—The Princeton, the first screw vessel of war ever built, was launched at the Philadelphia Navy Yard.

1856—Dr. Livingstone arrived in London after an absence of 16 years in Africa.

1864—Dr. Henry R. Schoolcraft, probably the foremost authority on the American Indian, died in Washington, D. C. Born at Watervliet, N. Y., March 28, 1793.

1873—Marshal Bazaine was convicted and sentenced to death for surrendering Metz to the Germans.

1914—French captured the Alsatian town of Aspach.

1915—Germans driven beyond ridge of St. Souplet in Champagne.

1916—New British war council, headed by David Lloyd George, officially announced.

—W. S. S.—

RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

Texas-Mexican.

Train No. 1 leaves for Corpus Christi at 9 a. m.

Train No. 2 arrives from Corpus Christi at 3:35 p. m.

International & Great Northern.

Through fast train for St. Louis leaves at 10:45 a. m. and arrives at 7:15 p. m.

Night Train. Leaves at 9 p. m. and arrives at 8 a. m.

Rio Grande & Eagle Pass.

Train No. 1 leaves Laredo daily except Sunday at 8 a. m. Arrives at Minera at 10:20 a. m.

Train No. 2 leaves Minera daily except Sunday at 11 a. m. Arrives at Laredo at 3:15 p. m.

—W. S. S.—

Parents, Attention!

If your boys cannot attend Day School, do you see that they go to Night School?

Do you violate the compulsory education law of the state?

Night school in the Central School Building.

JOHN REYNOLDS, Teacher.

11-30-10t.

TIMES WANT ADS.

5000 Money Makers 50000

LOCAL NEWS

—M. M. Holland, a well known mechanic and garage man of this city, has formed a partnership with A. Ritter under the firm name of the Rio Grande Auto & Machine Co. and the firm is now located in the old garage building formerly occupied by the Citizens Garage, where they will do auto repair work.

—Call O. C. Ulmer phone 1085 for prices on Bushel Baskets, Slack Barrels or crates for packing vegetables, before buying elsewhere. Place order now for prices are advancing. 11-30-tf.

—Do not fail to hear Lieutenant Gray this evening at Market Hall at eight o'clock. He will provide one of the most interesting evenings you have ever spent.

—Edward Green, florist. Day and night phone Crockett 4107. Ave. C at 8th St., San Antonio, Texas. 2-25-tf.

—The 37th Infantry band will furnish music tonight at the meeting at Market Hall which will be addressed by Chaplain Gray. 2-25-tf.

—When in need of a plumber phone 1203. Juarez Plumbing, 419 Matamoros street. 2-11-tf.

—Will Sharkey, who was assigned to special work at San Angelo several days ago, writes to his mother here stating that he has been relieved from the assignment and would return here in a few days.

—The Belmont. Rooms and apartments. 602 Main Ave. Phone 575 or 1017.

—Laredo was beclouded by a fog this morning that very much resembled a young rain in its effects—the moisture was sufficiently heavy to make everything assume a dampened condition and drops of water were falling from the eaves of house or running off into the gutters. It was fine weather for the young onions. But, gee, there are so many that have no onions!

—We paint automobiles; also make auto tops. Fidel Cantu, Phone 202. 6-15-tf.

—Chaplain Charles Gray will speak to the people of Laredo this evening at Market Hall. Do not fail to hear him. A splendid speaker deserves a large and appreciative audience. Come and hear him.

—The Crescent Garage is the busiest shop in town. Why? 4-10-tf.

—The following marriage license has been issued by the county clerk since last report: Martin Flores and Miss Melita Cadena. 4-10-tf.

—Teacher of Gregg Shorthand and Spanish and English. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office; residence 812 Farragut street. 4-27-tf.

—The fine quality of pictures that the Royal Theater is providing its patrons these days are drawing capacity audiences. Last night again that popular showhouse was filled at all times with people anxious to witness the feature play, Madge Kennedy in "The Kingdom of Youth," which was a fine play.

—The Crescent Garage is the busiest shop in town. Why? 4-10-tf.

—It is not often that we have an opportunity of hearing such an interesting speaker as Chaplain Gray. Do not miss his talk. It will be given at Market Hall this evening at eight o'clock.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-tf.

—There are numerous people in Laredo who want to contribute to that monument fund but are slow in acting. If they could only get that "mañana" principle out of their systems that fund would be raised in a hurry. If ever there was a laudable undertaking started here, it is that monument fund, and those who stayed at home while our boys bled and died should be the first to respond.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office; residence 812 Farragut street. Residence phone 348. 4-27-tf.

—Be one of the fortunate ones who will hear Lieutenant Gray this evening at Market Hall. You cannot afford to miss such an opportunity.

—If it is not an accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of material. 1-9-tf.

—Only two weeks until Christmas. Have you done that Christmas shopping yet? The assortments from which to select Christmas gifts are large and complete now—tomorrow that very article you want may be gone.

—W. S. S.—

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THE FOOTBALL CONTESTS ATTRACTING ATTENTION

Games Being Played Between Regimental Teams at Fort McIntosh Eliciting Attention of Soldiers.

The second classic of the local football season will be staged at Fort McIntosh Saturday afternoon when the regimental eleven of the 37th will clash with the gridiron warriors of the 19th Infantry from San Antonio. The coming battle is expected to prove even more thrilling than that of Turkey Day when the eleven of the Fourth Field Artillery from Corpus went down in defeat before the local aggregation; the 19th is reported to have the strongest outfit in the Southern department with the possible exception of the eleven from Camp Wise. The team was organized two months ago and has met all the principal contenders for the department title.

The eleven of the 37th is expected to be even stronger Saturday than was the case on Thanksgiving although the loss of Lieutenants Lea and Wood because of injuries is serious. The added strength is expected to result from the addition to the regimental squad of stars who have been developed in the intra-regimental contests.

Next Saturday's melee, like the one on Thanksgiving, will be staged on the new gridiron at Fort McIntosh. No admission will be charged and the public is cordially invited.

—W. S. S.—

THE CHRISTMAS ROLL CALL

Don't fail to hear Chaplain Gray at Market Hall tonight at 8 o'clock. He will make clear the reasons why you should do all in your power to help the Red Cross, and why you cannot afford not to do it.

—W. S. S.—

REMAINS ARRIVE TOMORROW AND FUNERAL FROM STATION

Body of Private Will Lake From Paris Island, S. C., Delayed En Route and Will Arrive Tomorrow.

The remains of Private W. H. Lake, U. S. Marines, who died in Paris Island, S. C., of meningitis several days ago, did not reach Laredo this morning, but a telegram received last night stated the body would reach here Thursday morning at 8:15 o'clock.

The funeral will take place from the railroad station tomorrow morning with full military honors to St. Peter's Catholic church, and after funeral services there the procession will move to the Catholic cemetery, where interment will take place.

—W. S. S.—

CASH LEASE.

See Frank W. Nye about oil and gas leases if you own land west of the I. & G. N. railroad, Webb County. Bank reference. 12-5-7t.

—W. S. S.—

IS RETURNING TO LAREDO; WILL ARRIVE ON THURSDAY

County Judge Geo. R. Page, Who Left Here in September, Coming Back Somewhat Improved in Health.

County Judge Geo. R. Page, who left here on September 22 for Rochester, Minn., to enter the Mayo Bros. Sanitarium for medical treatment, left Rochester yesterday bound for his home here and will reach his destination Thursday.

According to a letter received by The Times today, Judge Page states that he is somewhat improved in health, but that he will be glad to get away from the rigors of a northern winter, saying that the weather in Minnesota was severely cold and that there is plenty of snow there—that he will be glad to get back to sunny South Texas again, and the, sooner the better.

—W. S. S.—

Hello Bill!

There will be a regular meeting of Laredo Lodge No. 1018, B. P. O. E., tonight. All visiting Elks are invited to attend.

G. R. WEBER, Secretary.

—W. S. S.—

MUSTEROLE—QUICK RELIEF! NO BLISTER!

It Soothes and Relieves Like a Mustard Plaster Without the Burn or Sting

Musterole is a clean, white ointment, made with the oil of mustard. It does all the work of the old-fashioned mustard plaster—does it better and does not blister. You do not have to bother with a cloth. You simply rub it on—and usually the pain is gone!

Many doctors and nurses use Musterole and recommend it to their patients. They will gladly tell you what relief it gives from sore throat, bronchitis, croup, stiff neck, asthma, neuralgia, congestion, pleurisy, rheumatism, lumbago, pains and aches of the back or joints, sprains, sore muscles, bruises, chilblains, frost-bitten feet, colds of the chest (it often prevents pneumonia).

30c and 60c jars; hospital size \$2.50.

—W. S. S.—

Notice to the Public.

Beginning Jan. 1, 1919, we are going on a cash basis. This means that when you get your work you pay for it. If you do not get what you pay for, you will do us a favor by letting it be known.

Border Foundry and Machine Co. 12-6-1m.

—W. S. S.—

FOR Christmas Presents

Look through our line of hand-finished towels, linens, lingerie, handkerchiefs, etc., also see the new Bucilla packages and a lot of stamped linens and lingerie.

Excellent values in hats throughout the week.

MISS M. SALLIE.

1209 Lincoln St.

—W. S. S.—

New Crop Bloomsdale Spinach Seed.

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CHRISTMAS NEAR AT HAND; WILL BE PEACEFUL EVENT

CHRISTMAS THIS YEAR IS ONE THAT HAS MANY SORROWS.

Throughout the World the Event Will Be Observed With Unusual Solemnity and Absent Ones Remembered.

Fifteen days hence, or two weeks from tomorrow, is Christmas Day, an occasion that is observed throughout the civilized world as marking the birth of Him who later gave His life that mankind might be saved.

Throughout the world on this Christmas day the occasion will be observed with a solemnity far surpassing that of any previous year, for the world has just emerged from one of the longest drawn out and most sanguinary conflicts in history—a war that cost millions of lives and has brought sorrow to many homes—for the soldiers who died on the fields of battle came from many nations.

This year the time-honored greeting of "A Merry Christmas" will be supplanted in greetings with the words "A Peaceful Christmas"—words sincere in meaning and bearing a message that is spoken with full meaning. This year in thousands of homes there will be vacant chairs that last Christmas or that of the year before was occupied by some beloved member of the family—but who now sleeps that sleep from which there is no awakening, for the war and the Spanish influenza alike have made their grim harvest and many a family has been visited by the messenger of death. Therefore, it is proper that this Christmas should be as solemn as possible and on that day the dead be remembered with prayers for the repose of their souls.

Many soldier boys who went gladly away in the uniform of their country last year will be at home this Christmas to cheer the loved ones who sent them forth, while in other homes only memories will linger of those who are absent never again to respond to earthly summons.

—W.

MAPPING OF AERIAL ROUTE BRINGS PLANES TO LAREDO

Five Aeroplanes Reached Laredo This Afternoon for Purpose of Mapping Out Aerial Mail Route.

Lieutenant Penny, officer in charge of flight, last night advised Mayor McComb by telephone that the five aeroplanes which are making a log of the aerial mail route in the southwest, and which is mapping out a route for the proposed aerial mail service between Chicago, St. Louis and all points in the Southwest and Texas, would reach Laredo this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The following telegram gives details of the visit of the aeroplanes:

Kelly Field, December 10, 1918. Hon. Robert McComb, Mayor, Laredo, Texas.

By order of Major General Kenly, director military aeronautics, five ships will leave Kelly Field December eleventh for the purpose of map making, gathering information and such for an aerial mail route as well as to let the public know something about the success of the air service and its value commercially. Therefore we request that you notify the city papers in order that the populace may be properly notified of our trip and its purpose and incidentally you can render services by having the landing field in good shape. Ships will arrive about two p. m.

LIEUT. PENNY, Officer in Charge.

A later message received by Mayor McComb today stated that the five aeroplanes would not reach Laredo until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

GET AFTER THAT COLD RIGHT NOW

Got right after it with a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery

She never let a cough or cold or case of gripe go until it grew dangerous. She just nipped it when she began to snuffle or cough before it developed seriously.

Men, women, and children of every age have used this preparation for fifty years as a prompt reliever. All ages are using it today because of its positive results.

Generous size bottles. 60c and \$1.20.

Constipation Corrected

Dr. King's New Life Pills tonight mean clear bowels, a clear head, clear thinking, a day well begun in the morning, good digestion, clearing skin. Mild in action but sure and comfortable. At drug stores everywhere. 25c.

FUNERAL OF PRIVATE WILL LAKE HELD THIS MORNING

With Full Military Honors Laredo Young Man Who Died of Meningitis is Laid to Rest Here.

The remains of Private William Henry Lake, U. S. Marines, who died at Paris Island, S. C., several days ago following an illness from meningitis, arrived in Laredo this morning and the funeral was held from the railway station with full military honors.

At the station the body was met by the Thirty-seventh Infantry Band, a firing squad, escort and six pall-bearers from the Thirty-seventh Infantry regiment. From the station the procession slowly wended its way to St. Peter's Catholic church, where a large number of people awaited the arrival of the remains, and where obsequies were conducted by Rev. Father McLoey. From the church the procession, with the military, proceeded to the Catholic cemetery where funeral services were conducted at the grave, the band playing a solemn melody and the squad firing the salute over the grave.

Many beautiful floral tributes were taken to the grave and there, under a mound of delicate flowers, the remains of William Lake, one of those brave young men who had offered his services to his country, were laid to rest.

BAD BREATH

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets Get at the Cause and Remove It

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets, the substitute for calomel, act gently on the bowels and positively do the work.

People afflicted with bad breath find quick relief through Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets. The pleasant, sugar-coated tablets are taken for bad breath by all who know them.

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets act gently but firmly on the bowels and liver, stimulating them to natural action, clearing the blood and gently purifying the entire system. They do that which dangerous calomel does without any of the bad after effects.

All the benefits of nasty, sickening, gripping cathartics are derived from Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets without gripping, pain or any disagreeable effects.

Dr. F. M. Edwards discovered the formula after seventeen years of practice among patients afflicted with bowel and liver complaint, with the attendant bad breath.

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets are purely a vegetable compound mixed with olive oil; you will know them by their olive color. Take one or two every night for a week and note the effect. 10c and 25c per box. All druggists.

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY IN THE WAR.

DECEMBER 11.

Austrian battleship Wien reported torpedoed and sunk in the Mediterranean.

Germans began violent artillery attack along the British and French fronts in Flanders.

One hundred and fifty aeroplanes participated in an Italian air raid over the German lines.

W. S. S.

TODAY'S ANNIVERSARIES.

DECEMBER 11.

1781—Sir David Brewster, an eminent optician who discovered the law of the polarization of light by reflection, born in Scotland. Died Feb. 10, 1868.

1843—Dr. Robert Koch, renowned for his work in the realm of consumption and cholera, born in Hanover. Died at Baden Baden, May 26, 1910.

1868—The Paraguayans were again defeated by the Brazilian army.

1879—A British cavalry brigade attempted to cut off a force of 10,000 Africans, and was barely saved from annihilation by the timely arrival of Gen. Roberts and his Highlanders.

1884—Commander Samuel Dana Greene, who was second in command of the Monitor in her battle with the Merrimack, died at Portsmouth, N. H. Born in Indiana in 1839.

1893—The French senate passed a restrictive press law against Anarchists.

1914—Gen. Botha announced that the South African rebellion was virtually ended.

1915—British enlistment said to have passed the 4,000,000 mark.

1916—General Nivelle succeeded Gen. Joffre in command of the French armies in the field.

W. S. S.

UNSHAKEN TESTIMONY.

Time is the test of truth. And Doan's Kidney Pills have stood the test in Laredo. No Laredo resident who suffers backache, or annoying urinary ills can remain unconvinced by this twice-told testimony.

Carmen Zamora, 1804 Iturbide St., Laredo, says: "Whenever I caught cold or did a little extra work, I got such a pain in my back, I couldn't stoop over. The kidney secretions were scanty and painful in passage too. One box of Doan's Kidney Pills, which I got from the City Drug Co., cured me and it has been some time since my back has given me any annoyance."

OVER NINE YEARS LATER Mr. Zamora said: "I have had no kidney trouble in some time and I feel confident Doan's Kidney Pills have permanently cured me."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Carmen Zamora had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y.

W. S. S.

Cash Lease. See Frank W. Nye about oil and gas leases if you own land west of the I. & G. N. railroad, Webb County. Bank reference. 12-5-7t.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS BUSY STORES WELL PATRONIZED

Business Establishments That Have Fresh Goods for Sale and Have Advertised Are Getting Business.

Within only thirteen days elapsing before Christmas, the stores of Laredo are assuming the animated scenes that generally precede the occasion and Christmas shoppers are—out in force to buy their Christmas gifts and supplies generally, indicating that Laredo people have taken the advice to shop early and get the best of the goods while the getting is good.

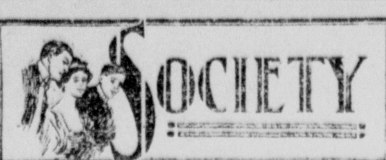
The various wideawake business establishments of the city who are advertising the fact that they have Christmas supplies on display are now reaping the benefits of having made the fact known, while the dormant, non-advertiser is not busy, but, like the Socialist, sets back and howls about things being on the bum and business demoralized. He is the very antithesis of the progressive business man, as the evidence shows by one having his place full of conservative buyers, while the other is himself warming his counter by occupying a perch thereon.

Early Christmas shopping in Laredo means that the purchasers who go to the stores at this time are not only getting the best of the assortments offered for sale, but they are going at a time when the clerks have ample time to "wait" on them and not being rushed to death at the last moment.

W. S. S.

Notice. The Latin-American Club will celebrate its anniversary with a grand ball on New Year's eve, December 31st, bidding farewell to the old year and ringing in the new. Only members and invited guests will be admitted. Cards must be presented at the door.

THE COMMITTEE, 12-11-6t.



Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeldt Society Editor Phone 70 Phone 43

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Wednesday.

There will be an Auxiliary meeting at the Christ Church Rectory at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

There will be a dance at the Young Men's Hebrew Association Hall in the evening. Mrs. Wormser and Mrs. L. Dalches will be the hostesses.

Thursday.

The Married Ladies Social Club will meet with Mrs. T. A. Austin at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Woman's Club will entertain with a program at the army Y. M. C. A. in the evening.

W. S. S.

Enfolded.

Across the faded folds of garden beds

A whispering zephyr from the summer realm Lingers to sigh above a folded thing. That in the glow of beauty had no part.

Ah, the belated flower, Yearning to meet its hour, Missing its natal dower!

Along a crowded way through toll-some march, Amid the restless throng ambition spent, Beyond the reach of worldly ones A bowing soul awaits a quickening touch.

Sad soul that yearns to flower, God owns thy natal dower, And guides thee to thine hour.

—Christian Intelligencer.

General Mention.

Mrs. Hal Greer returned yesterday from Corpus Christi, where she went to meet her daughter, Mrs. Frank T. Higgins, and children, who will spend the Christmas holidays here. Mr. Higgins will come later.

Lieut. and Mrs. Shafer and little daughter, Barbara, left Monday night for their home in Birmingham, Alabama.

Lieut. and Mrs. Joe Woods left Monday night for their home in the east.

Mr. Charles Ernst returned to Poteet on Monday night.

Mrs. Hal Greer received a cablegram Monday from her son, Lieut. Hal I. Greer from France, saying "I will leave for home in two weeks."

Lieut. Lawrence Nelson returned to San Antonio on Monday night, after a short stay in the city.

Mr. Walter McPherson, secretary of St. Andrew's Brotherhood of the U. S. Army, is in the city.

Mr. G. W. Derby went up to San Antonio on Monday on a short business trip.

Mrs. Manuel Mora and daughters left yesterday to join Mr. Mora in San Antonio, where they will make their future home. The rest of the family will follow later.

Announcement.

There will be an important meeting of all members of the Christmas Roll Call tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock at the Woman's Club. All members are urgently requested to attend.

Club Notes.

The Junior Auxiliary of Christ church held their regular weekly meeting yesterday afternoon at the church where the following program was given: Lord's Prayer, Junior Collect, Creed, Roll-call, the members answered to their names with a missionary verse; song, "We are Little Helpers"; presentation of birth-day offerings; Mr. McPherson gave a talk on the "Good qualities of a soldier." At the conclusion of the program they went over to the Rectory and discussed plans for an entertainment which will be given at the Rectory, Thursday after Christmas. Those present were Martha and George Anderson, Woody Bunn, Ralph and Mary Cook, Joe and Teresa Fasnacht, Ethel, Dorothy, Anita and Harold Laue, Mary Besse and Helen McDonald, Mary Ernestine Sielski, Elizabeth, Charline, Elinor and Miles Nye, Anne McKinney, George, Horace, Bobby, and Elinore Kehl, Evans and Jack Younklin.

Miss Ada L. Comstock, dean of Smith College, born at Moorhead, Minn., 42 years ago today.

Charles Ladd Norton, of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, a famous expert on all phases of heat and of fire protection, born at Springfield, Mass., 48 years ago today.

Standing alone as the great educational institution of Peru is the University of San Marcos at Lima, which was founded in 1551, or nearly one hundred years before the founding of Harvard University.

W. S. S.

A very pleasant gathering was held last evening at Christ Church Rectory, when Rev. Cook, Rev. Vincent of Fort McIntosh and Mr. McPherson, Secretary of St. Andrew's Brotherhood, had a reception for the Episcopal men of the Thirty-seventh Infantry. The time was spent in conversation and singing. Mr. McPherson also gave a very interesting address. Ice cream and cake was

served and about twenty-five were present.

W. S. S.

The following program will be given by the Blue Bird Chapter of Camp Fire Girls on Friday afternoon, at 4 o'clock at the Woman's Club: Spring Song, piano selection, Dorothy Borchers.

Reading, Celeste Hamilton Song, "How Could Washington Be a Married Man and Never Tell a Lie." Nellie Ward and Evelyn Kerr.

Recitation, "Mammy's Little Coal Black Rose," Molly Swartzman Piano selection, "Narcissus," Margaret Copeland.

Reading, Josephine Dak-hes Piano selection, "Coming Thro' the Rye," Nellie Ward and Eugenia Copeland.

Solo Dance, Nellie Ward Service Flag Recitation, Anne McKinney, Doris and Dorothy Wilson.

Mrs. R. A. Millar and Mrs. L. H. Wharton will be the judges for the baby show. Punch will be served by Gladys Sauvignat and Elinor Morrow, Mabel Barr, Nellie Netzer. The ushers will be Jamie Ward, Joe Fasnacht and Gordon Barr. The admission fee will be ten cents and the proceeds will go to the Armenian and Syrian orphans.

W. S. S.

PERUVIAN PARAGRAPHS. Peru became an independent republic in 1821.

The whole of eastern Peru is undeveloped, but in the coast country agriculture has been developed to a high degree.

Peru has 1,800 miles of railway in operation, with several thousand miles additional projected or under construction.

The Peruvian are a pleasure-loving people and in Lima, especially, there are many amusements and many sporting events.

Callao, which is the great depot for the commerce of Peru, is one of the most important ports on the Pacific side of South America.

The climate of Peru embraces every kind from the tropics to perpetual snows. There is no known plant or animal that will not grow here.

Peru has an army of fewer than 7,000 officers and men, but the force is said to be well equipped with modern arms and has had the benefit of training from French military instructors.

W. S. S.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REVIEW.

Prepared For The Times by the St. Louis Union Bank, St. Louis, Mo.

Cessation of war will result in a reduction of Government expenses for the fiscal year 1920, starting next July 1, to \$7,443,415,838 from the \$24,599,000,000 appropriated for the current year, according to tentative estimates submitted to Congress by Secretary McAdoo, transmitting the reports of the various departments.

The principal reduction was for the military establishment, which estimates its needs at \$1,922,000,000 in 1920, as compared with \$12,274,000,000 appropriated for this year. Before the signing of the armistice with Germany it had been figured that the army alone would need more than \$19,000,000,000 for 1920.

The navy's estimates for 1920 are \$2,595,000,000, as compared with \$1,591,000,000 appropriated for the current year, an increase of a billion dollars despite the closing of the war. There is nothing to show what it was estimated the navy would have needed had the war continued.

W. S. S.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS.

DECEMBER 11.

Queen Elizabeth, who has shared in the triumph of the Belgians over the recovery of their country from the Germans, born in Bavaria, 43 years ago today.

Most Rev. Henry Moeller, Catholic archbishop of Cincinnati, born in Cincinnati, 69 years ago today.

Congressman Simeon D. Fess of Ohio, who is mentioned for the speakership of the 66th Congress, born in Allen County, Ohio, 57 years ago today.

Congressman Fiorello La Guardia of New York, whose valor led him to active military service abroad, born in New York City, 36 years ago today.

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W. S. S.

Catarrah Cannot Be Cured with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrah is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy. Hall's Catarrah Medicine is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Catarrah Medicine was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years. It is composed of some of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The perfect combination of the ingredients in Hall's Catarrah Medicine is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal conditions. Send for testimonials free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. All Druggists. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

W. S. S.

Watch THE TIMES everyday for opportunities. 50c. per month.

FRENCH WOMEN MAKE FORMAL DEMAND FOR PROSECUTION OF FORMER GERMAN KAISER

Declare that Young Women in 1916 were Forcibly Taken from Their Homes by Orders of German Commanders, Submitted to Treatment and Abuse, and That Kaiser was Directly in Command.

OVER ELEVEN MILLIONS.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The department of agriculture announced today that the total production of cotton in the United States for the season of 1918 and 1919 will amount to 5,595,529,000 pounds, not including linters, and equivalent to 11,700,000 500-pound bales.

W. S. S.

TO SEEK UNIVERSITY MEMBERSHIP.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—"Universal membership, with your heart and a dollar," will be the slogan in the campaign for members to be conducted by the American Red Cross next week. At the headquarters of the organization in this city final instructions for the "drive" are going out to the workers throughout the land.

For seven days the campaign, which is to be termed the "Christmas roll call," will be carried on, affording every man, woman and child throughout the United States an opportunity to become a member of the organization. Membership, and that alone, is to be the sole purpose of the approaching campaign, rather than an effort to obtain funds.

In the campaign for members conducted a year ago last spring, 25,000,000 were obtained, and it is expected that in the coming Christmas roll call every one of these members, with fully as many more, will cheerfully welcome the opportunity of giving their dollar in return for membership during 1919. Each, as in the previous campaign, will be given a Red Cross button.

In the opinion of those who have had the best opportunity to observe the attitude of the public toward the Red Cross, since the signing of the armistice, the American people are fully alive to its usefulness. It is confidently believed that the people realize that Red Cross work has only begun. This work will not be nursing and the support of canteens, as in the past, but will be the rehabilitation of great sections of the countries devastated by the enemy, and the caring for and clothing of the returning refugees.

It is a work that will require the greatest activity, not only in foreign fields but in America. The returning soldiers and their families at home will need careful and continued attention before they become thoroughly readjusted to a life of peace rather than of war. In addition to all this, there will always be the emergency feature of Red Cross work to be provided for. In the future, as in the past, the Red Cross must be prepared to handle, immediately and completely, any emergency, whenever and wherever it may arise.

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W. S. S.

UPHELD STATEWIDE PROHIBITION LAW

DISTRICT JUDGE DECLARES THE LEGISLATURE HAD RIGHT TO PASS ANY SUCH LAW.

By Associated Press.

Austin, Texas, Dec. 11.—Temporary injunctions restraining Emil Joseph and Percy Nelson of Fort Bend county from selling intoxicating liquors were perpetuated by Judge Calhoun of the Thirty-third district court, from which the original injunctions were issued.

The defendants gave notice of appeal. In writing the opinion Judge Calhoun held that the statutory prohibition law is constitutional, as the legislature has power to pass any law that is not directly or by strict implication absolutely prohibited by the constitution.

W. S. S.

Arrive Earlier Than Expected.

Brest, Dec. 11.—The United States steamer George Washington, with President Wilson and party aboard, changed its course after leaving the Azores and will arrive at Brest in advance of the time previously announced, according to a naval wireless despatch received here today.

French Commission in Berlin.

Paris, Dec. 11.—The French commission has arrived in Berlin to regulate the return of French released prisoners from Germany. The commission will also investigate the recent affair at Langensalz, Prussian Saxony, in which nine French prisoners were killed and fifteen wounded seriously by Germans in the prison camp.

W. S. S.

For Croup.

"Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is splendid for croup," writes Mrs. Edward Hassett, Frankfort, N. Y. "My children have been quickly relieved of attacks of this dreadful complaint by its use." This remedy contains no opium or other narcotic, and may be given to a child as confidently as to an adult.

W. S. S.

Times Want Ads.

50000 Money Makers 30000

By Associated Press.

Paris, Dec. 11.—Legal action against the former German emperor has been commenced, as an organization of Lille mothers demand for prosecution states that commanders in the German army in 1916 directed that young girls be carried away from their families; that they were submitted to odious treatment and forced into close contact with notorious women and that such commanders were under command of the German emperor.

W. S. S.

Rhine Controlled by Allies.

Amsterdam, Dec. 11.—Discussions over the prolongation of the armistice between the allies and Germany will begin at Treves December 12, according to the North German Gazette. All shipping on the Rhine is now under control of an inter-allied commission.

W. S. S.

Only 152 Fatalities.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The annual report of Major General William L. Kenley, director of military aeronautics, shows that during the year ending June 30 last there were 152 fatalities in training in this country. Stalled engines, usually due to error of the pilot, caused 86; collisions 30 and side slips 10. This is less than half as many as the allies.

W. S. S.

Will Withhold Statement.

LOSING PRESTIGE.

It appears that at present there is none so poor as to do Germany reverence and even those neutrals who were disposed to accept all sorts of rebuffs and even abuse from Germany while the issue of the war was in doubt are now disposed to ride a high horse with Germany.

The latest is to the effect that Count Romanones, the new Spanish premier, intends to expel the German ambassador, Prince Ratibor, and several members of the German embassy who have been notoriously engaged in spying and supporting the anti-dynastic agitation.

It is no more notorious now that the German representatives were engaged in spying than it has been for the past two or three years. But while the kaiser was in power and had an army to back his decisions there was little tendency to be insolent toward his envoys.

It must be remembered, however, that Romanones was one of those who wished their government to take a decided stand against German sinking of neutral vessels, and it is only when there is no longer a German government or a German army that they have succeeded in reaching the point where German insolence and arrogance is about to be rebuked.

Of course the present farcical German government will not take offense at any affront offered the ambassador sent by the ex-kaiser. Or will they? At any rate, they are in no position to make things nasty for Spain at the present moment, and this is the main reason why Romanones is so chipper.

It may be that even Holland, that notorious neutral—with regard to what Germany did—will fall into line and demand redress of wrongs that have been committed in the past. She may even expel the German spies, although without the secret friendship of the Dutch the Germans could not have used the Netherlands for an assembly place and a point of vantage from which to work against the allies.

It gives point to the ancient proverb: "Better a live dog than a dead lion." For the very people who now unite to swell the chorus of contempt and reprobation of the kaiser, thereby hoping to tail on to the allies' band wagon, were but a short time ago exalting to the skies the "august ruler of Germany, our good friend." When a man's down and out even his former friends are ready to kick him.

It is fitting and proper that the German spies should be expelled from Spain. They should have been expelled two or three years ago. But it comes with a bad grace to begin the work at the present moment. Surely the German spies are no more a menace to Spain and order now than they were when they were spending millions of pesetas annually to gain the good graces of the Spanish people—and failing most miserably.

So far as the majority of the Spanish people are concerned, the Germans have never been *personae gratae*. Even the Austrians have not the prestige they had before the war began. The injuries inflicted upon the Spanish people, especially the shipping interests and the fruit growers and exporters, are fresh in the minds of the people who sought to demonstrate their friendship and their neutrality.

The expulsion of the German ambassador and his suite will not prevent the new government from sending successors, and it is doubtful if there is a single German engaged in the diplomatic service who does not conceive it his first duty to spy on the people to whom he is accredited.

We shall have a difficult task to prevent the German representatives to this country after peace has been arranged from carrying on their old system of espionage. Perhaps it is well for us to remember that it is second nature for a German to abuse the hospitality of a country where he is residing, and thus be constantly on the watch for such disreputable work.

Whatever the causes that led up to the present decision of the Spanish premier, the world will feel that the act is justified, and that Spain will be better off without the "noble" representative of imperial Germany. And future representatives of that country, whether "gentle or simple," will be watched more carefully than their predecessors.

WHAT CAUSED IT.

There is much speculation nowadays concerning the cause—or causes—of the epidemic of influenza which has devastated certain sections of the world, and has caused almost as many deaths in proportion as the heaviest battle of modern times.

The doctors are frank enough to declare that they do not know what is the cause of the influenza. They say that the germ of the disease has not yet been isolated, and that all cases of influenza are complicated with other ailments, so that it is difficult to even imagine what is the cause of the annoying and frequently fatal disease.

One doctor recently declared it as his opinion that the poison gas used in Europe was the cause. He cited the fact that the disease had made its appearance in identical form at the same time in widely separated places which had not had any communication. There was no chance for contagion, in his opinion, and there was not time for the spread of the germs,

If there were such germs, to such widely separated points.

A woman doctor announces that the disease is undoubtedly caused by poison of some kind, but she does not attempt to define what sort of poison it might be, or how disseminated.

Perhaps the most interesting, because the most preposterous, suggestion comes from a San Antonio man, who has evidently made a study of astronomy. He declares that an epidemic of influenza comes with each alternate equinox of Saturn, when the two rings surrounding the distant planet are in line with the sun. This occurs every twenty-seven or twenty-eight years.

According to this ambitious astronomer, "This disease is no more contagious than a cold, and any number of people in a well-ventilated room are in no danger whatever." How, then, does he account for the fact that people who assembled in well-ventilated large rooms, without direct personal contact—such, for instance, as in a railway waiting room—were almost all victims of the disease?

We derive several differing ideas from Saturn. Our popular meaning of Saturnalia is a period of license, in which the passions or vices have riotous indulgence. Then again, a "saturnine" person is one who, according to Webster, is "heavy, grave, gloomy, dull."

But this is the first time we have had any intimation that Saturn has a malign influence upon the health of the people. If this be true, why would not Saturday—the day of Saturn—be the worst day as regards influenza victims, and why would not December 17, the date of the beginning of the Saturnalia of the ancient Romans, be the beginning of a new epidemic?

Of course, this is the sheerest nonsense. It is on a par with the belief of those who still plant their plantings and their harvests with reference to the moon's phases. It is worse than an ignorant superstition, because being based upon a slight knowledge of astronomy, it is likely to lead the really ignorant to believe that there is some scientific foundation for it.

While we are concerned in the investigation of the causes of influenza, for the reason that usually a knowledge of the cause enables one to prevent or at least to cure a disease, to find that the rings of Saturn were the cause of influenza would not help us at all, for we have no control over the electric belts of the far distant planet.

The logic of the new theory is on a par with that of the ancient joke: "Cretans are liars; Cretans are men; therefore, all men are liars." To take the present theory: Influenza comes every twenty-seven or twenty-eight years; the rings of Saturn are in line with the sun every twenty-nine years and some odd months; therefore, the rings of Saturn cause the epidemics of influenza! And none of this is an absolutely certain premise, except the recurrence of the position of Saturn with relation to the sun.

Our space is too short to give the history of the influenza in the past centuries, but it did not recur with the frequency of the alternate equinoxes of Saturn. That may readily be ascertained from any medical work.

NOTICE OF HEARING TO APPROPRIATE PUBLIC WATERS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

Notice is hereby given, to whom concerned, that S. N. Johnson, the postoffice address of whom is Laredo, Texas, did on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1918, file his application in the office of the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, in which he applies for a permit to appropriate from the unappropriated waters of the State of Texas sufficient water for the purpose of irrigating certain lands hereinafter described, and to be diverted from the Rio Grande, in Webb County, Texas, by means of a pumping plant to be located on Porcion No. 36, on subdivision No. 23 of S. N. Johnson Subdivision of Porcions No. 36 and 37, in Webb County, Texas, situated on the left bank of the Rio Grande.

You are hereby further notified that the lands proposed to be irrigated are out of the S. N. Johnson Survey No. 28, in Porcions 36 and 37, in Webb County, Texas, containing 250 acres.

A HEARING on the said application of the said S. N. Johnson will be held by the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, at its office in Austin, in Travis County, said state, on Monday, January 6th, A. D. 1919, beginning at ten o'clock A. M., at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Such hearing will be continued from time to time and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the said Board of Water Engineers may deem right, equitable and proper.

GIVEN UNDER and by virtue of an order of the Board of Water Engineers for the State of Texas, at the office of said Board in Austin, Texas, this 7th day of December, A. D. 1918.

W. T. POTTER,

C. S. CLARK,

JOHN A. NORRIS,

Board of Water Engineers.

Attest:

JAMES HAYS QUARLES,

Secretary.

AIRPLANES VISIT LAREDO; ARE SPENDING TODAY HERE

FIVE PLANES WITH OBSERVERS MAPPING AERIAL MAIL ROUTE.

Fleet of Airships Made an Impressive Appearance as They Reached City on Yesterday Afternoon.

As per announcement in The Times yesterday, the fleet of five aeroplanes which is mapping the route for an aerial service from Chicago to points toward the Pacific coast and southward to the Mexican border, made its appearance in Laredo about 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the five planes entering the city from the northward in triangular formation and close together, resembling a flock of geese at an altitude of about two thousand feet, and then circling the city they gradually lost altitude and made their landing at Fort McIntosh. The arrival of the five aeroplanes made an inspiring sight, as there was one plane in the lead with Lieutenant Penney, flight officer in charge, and right behind him side by side were two more planes, while the remaining two were further apart but close behind, forming almost a perfect triangle in their formation.

The personnel of the aviators in the planes was the following: Lieutenant T. Penney, Jr., officer in charge of flight; Lieutenant J. H. Drake, Lieutenant R. W. Peabody, Lieutenant T. G. Thurston, Lieutenant B. E. Gates, and the following mechanics: Sergeant L. C. Perry, Sergeant J. E. Gaffney, Corporal Mason, Privates C. W. Geddes and J. B. Thompson.

The fleet of aeroplanes left Kelly Field yesterday forenoon at 10:33 o'clock and arrived at Cotulla at 12:12, descending there and remaining until 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when they resumed their flight toward Laredo, reaching here at 4:30 o'clock. The fleet is a section of several such fleets that are at this time engaged in mapping routes for proposed aerial mail routes which the government may establish in the very near future for the carrying of mails between certain points. While this fleet came to Laredo another fleet of three ships went toward Eagle Pass, while in other sections there are other fleets in similar work.

Lieutenant Penney and his assistants gathered considerable valuable information and data during their flight to Laredo and made notations of the different places along the route where landings could be made when necessary, while notes were also taken of different surroundings, etc. All this information will later be used in the compiling of statistics and data to be used when aerial mail service is inaugurated.

Lieutenant Penny and other members of the party visited The Times office this forenoon and gave out some interesting information concerning the flights being made at this time. He stated that the forty aviation schools of the country are participating in similar work of sending out fleets of aeroplanes to make mappings of various sections of the country and that all of them will gather valuable information concerning different routes, landing places, etc. The purpose of the observations is not only to make possible the operation of government aerial mail routes, but to get all information necessary for the future private and commercial aerial traffic, which is bound to come shortly. Just as special maps have to be made for the present automobile routes, and just as it is necessary to make soundings of all bodies of water for all navigation, just so there must be special maps and information of aerial navigation. These maps must show, among other things, all good landing fields, all possible landing fields and all distinguishing land-

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on earth peel right off like a banana skin—and that's magic "Gets-It." Tight shoes and dancing even when you have a corn need not disturb you if you apply a few drops of "Gets-It" on the corn or callus. You want a corn-remover, not a corn-fool. You don't have to fool with corns—you peel them right off with your fingers by using "Gets-It." Cutting makes corns grow and bleed. Why use irritating salves or make a bundle of your toe with tape or bandages? Why putter and still have the corn? Use "Gets-It"—your corn-pain is over, the corn is a "goner" sure as the sun rises. "Gets-It," the guaranteed, money-back corn-remover, the only sure way, costs but a trifle at any drug store. Mfg. by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill.

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SUBSCRIPTIONS COME SLOW TO THE MEMORIAL MONUMENT

No Additions Made to the List Yesterday or Today, States City Secretary Woodman; Wake Up!

Are Laredo's honored dead, who lost their lives while wearing the uniform of Uncle Sam that those who stayed at home might live in safety, going to be allowed to go without a memorial monument? It looks that way, from the manner in which subscriptions to the monument fund are coming in. It is a duty to the honored dead to erect a monument to perpetuate their memory.

There are mothers and fathers here in Laredo who gave their beloved boys to Uncle Sam's fighting forces and a number of those boys are buried on French battlefields, or near them. After the war is finally ended the bodies of those boys who gave their lives for liberty are to be brought to their homes and buried in the cemeteries of those places. Everywhere throughout the country the patriotic people are subscribing to funds to erect monuments to their dead. What is Laredo going to do? The people here have subscribed liberally to Liberty Bonds, war funds, etc.—now go to City Secretary Woodman at his office and hand in your amount towards that monument that is proposed to be erected to the memory of Laredo's soldier boys. You owe it to the dead.

marks. Landmarks are necessary that a pilot may locate himself when lost and may check up his course from time to time in order to avoid being lost, and that he may tell one town from another and so land at the proper town.

The development of aviation will necessitate each town and city having its own landing fields and proper equipment. This landing field must always kept in good condition, must be large enough to give easy access and egress to plant and must therefore not be closely surrounded by buildings or trees. Eventually there must be municipal hangars and perhaps small hotels on the field. One of the purposes of this trip is to pick out the most suitable field at each town and to create interest in its development and preparation.

The visitors from San Antonio did not leave today as intended, because of the low-lying fog, but will get away as soon as the weather clears, one of the planes remaining a day or two longer, however, for motor repairs.

These plans which are being developed in preparation for the era of peace which is beginning have been made possible only by the extensive work that has already been done by the Air Service. Under the censorship of war, little was made public regarding activity, and this information is now available for the first time. Some statistics may be of interest as indicative of what has already been accomplished.

The Army Air Service, exclusive of the Navy or Marines, now numbers 158,425 men—more than the entire Regular Army at the beginning of the war. Of these 22,542 are graduates of schools who have been given flying instruction and 14,409 are skilled mechanics trained in American schools. There are altogether 40 schools in the United States including five schools of military aeronautics, eight balloon schools, three radio, and three photographic schools.

As a result of experimentation both here and abroad, flying is rapidly becoming not only practicable but safe. For example, even in the urgent work of training pilots for service at the front, the United States Air Service has averaged 4018 hours and 231,520 miles of flight for each aviator killed, and with the constant improvement of motors and planes this figure is being continually improved. Moreover, the perfection of safety devices and control systems has made airplanes extremely easy to manage, whereas only a few short years ago the art of flying required the highest degree of initiative and daring.

NORMAL CONDITIONS SOON EXPECTED PREVAIL AGAIN

Many Are of Belief That Food Regulations and Passport Requirements Will Be Entirely Revoked.

With the modifications in the food regulations and passport requirements along the Mexican border, and the belief that these will be entirely revoked within a very short time, Mexican merchants and people generally who come here from various portions of the Mexican republic to make their purchases hope soon to have the old-time conditions restored.

At this time the restrictions on the exportation of American products to Mexico have been considerably modified, and as the conservation list is now reduced almost to the minimum, it is believed that within the next few weeks the remaining articles on the conservation list will also be removed, while the passport regulations which were put into effect during the war will be so modified that the requirements will also be almost like they were several years ago and no passports will be necessary. However, no official announcement has been made to this effect, but conditions are fast adjusting themselves to that end.

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LOCAL NEWS

—The following marriage license has been issued by the county clerk since last report: Antonio Alvarez and Miss Severa Senorio.

—Call O. C. Ulmer phone 1085 for prices on Bushel Baskets, Slack Barrels or crates for packing vegetables, before buying elsewhere. Place order now for prices are advancing. 11-30-tf

—Edward Green, florist. Day and night phone Crockett 4107. Ave. C at 8th St., San Antonio, Texas. 2-25-tf.

—Among the importations through this port from Mexico today was an unusually large shipment of lead—fifty-nine carloads. In addition to this heavy shipment of lead there were one carload of pecans, one carload of little rope and one locomotive.

—When in need of a plumber phone 1203. Juarez Plumbing, 419 Matamoros street. 2-11-tf.

—The Bellmont Rooms and apartments. 602 Main Ave. Phone 576 or 1017. 6-20-tf.

—We paint automobiles; also make auto tops. Fidel Cantu, Phone 202. 6-15-tf.

—The Christmas shoppers are out in force these days and all the live business establishments of Laredo which have assortments of Christmas goods on display are doing a good business.

—The Crescent Garage is the busiest shop in town. Why? 4-10-tf.

—Teacher of Gregg Shorthand and Spanish and English. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office; residence 812 Farragut street. 4-27-tf.

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—County Judge Geo. R. Page, after an absence of nearly three months, returned to his home here last night from Rochester, Minn., where he had been for medical treatment. Judge Page is much improved in health and this morning quite a number of his friends called on him at his office in the county courthouse, where he is now back on the job as county judge.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-tf.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office; residence 812 Farragut street. Residence phone 348. 4-27-tf.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 1-9-tf.

—W. S. S. Notice. Mrs. Isley's Letter. In a recent letter Mrs. D. W. Isley of Litchfield, Ill., says, "I have used Chamberlain's Tablets for disorders of the stomach and as laxative, and have found them a quick and sure relief." If you are troubled with indigestion or constipation these tablets will do you good."

To all contractors and our customers: Mr. Ed. H. Sanchez is no longer connected with the Laredo Plumbing Company. We have the same workmen as before, and are prepared to do plumbing, tinning and gasfitting at short notice. Laredo Plumbing Company. 12-41-tf.

PLEADS GUILTY TO CHARGE OF HAVING SWIPED AN ITEM

But the Delusion Was Caused By the Relief That Perhaps Once in Its Life the Record Might Be Right.

The Times reporter accepts the sentence of "guilty of plagiarism" imposed on it by the Record. We were guilty of having a misguided conscience when we thought that for once since it started its career in Laredo the Record had gotten something right which The Times man failed to "cover" the night before. The Times took the risk after reading the Record "and let it go at that" and found that the Record was not trustworthy.

Yes, the item about the Gray address was plagiarized—swiped from the Record—but the mistake in swiping the item was that The Times was deluded into the belief that possibly the Record was right for once—but it wasn't; it proved to be unreliable. Yes, The Times is guilty this time—but never again.

—W. S. S.—Cash Lease.

See Frank W. Nye about oil and gas leases if you own land west of the I. & G. N. railroad, Webb County. Bank reference. 12-5-tf.

—W. S. S.—Stomach Trouble.

"Before I used Chamberlain's Tablets I doctored a great deal for stomach trouble and left nervous and tired all the time. These tablets helped me from the first, and inside of a week's time I had improved in every way," writes Mrs. L. A. Drinkard, Jefferson City, Mo.

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NOTICE

After October 1st, 1918, prices of 10 to 50 Watt Mazda Lamps will be increased to 30 cents each, 60 Watt Lamps to 40 cents each. Prices of larger sizes unchanged.

Laredo Electric & Railway Co.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE

Texas-Mexican.
Train No. 1 leaves for Corpus Christi at 9 a. m.
Train No. 2 arrives from Corpus Christi at 3:35 p. m.

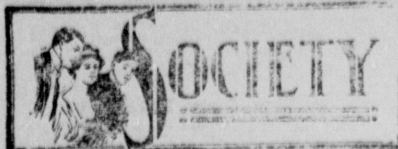
International & Great Northern.
Through fast train for St. Louis leaves at 10:45 a. m. and arrives at 7:15 p. m.
Night Train.
Leaves at 9 p. m. and arrives at 8 a. m.

Rio Grande & Eagle Pass.
Train No. 1 leaves Laredo daily except Sunday at 8 a. m. Arrives at Minera at 10:20 a. m.
Train No. 2 leaves Minera daily except Sunday at 11 a. m. Arrives at Laredo at 2:15 p. m.

—W. S. S.—
For Croup.
"Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is splendid for croup," writes Mrs. Edward Hassett, Frankfort, N. Y. "My children have been quickly relieved of attacks of this dreadful complaint by its use." This remedy contains no opium or other narcotic, and may be given to a child as confidently as to an adult.

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SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Friday.

The Blue Bird Chapter of Camp Fire Girls will entertain with a program at the Woman's Club at 4 in the afternoon, for the benefit of the Armenian and Syrian Orphans. There will be a regular meeting of Boy Scouts, Troop No. 1, at their headquarters room in the Methodist Church at the usual hour.

There will be a regular weekly meeting of Boy Scouts, Troop No. 2, at their hall in the evening at 7 o'clock.

There will be a dance at Elks Hall in the evening.

Saturday.

Mrs. H. G. DaCamara will entertain the Auction Bridge Club at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Busy Bees will entertain with a Children's Carnival at the building formerly occupied by the Laredo Water Company from 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Ladies Night at the 37th Infantry Club.

Come hear the call and gather up their strength.

A sturdy offering for their country's need.

Ready for discipline's full measured length.

Or sacrificial deed.

Some hear the call in varied undertone

Which echoes from the battle's aftermath;

And as they hear they need must leave their own

With comfort nursing bath.

And others hearing seek the busy place

Where toil heaps up its goods and lays in store

What soldiers need, and with untiring grace

Sustain the men at war.

Vast the response; for millions find some way

To share the burden of a nation's cause,

In gift or saving, suffering to allay,

Or shaping wiser laws.

So may all hear! Yea, thankful they can do

Something to help a nation fill its place;

A nation that shall best its life renew

To bless the human race!

—Benjamin R. Bulkeley.

General Mention.

Mrs. Marshall Hicks of San Antonio is the guest of Mrs. S. W. DeWolf. She will remain for a week.

Mrs. H. C. Hall left Wednesday night for Austin for a short stay.

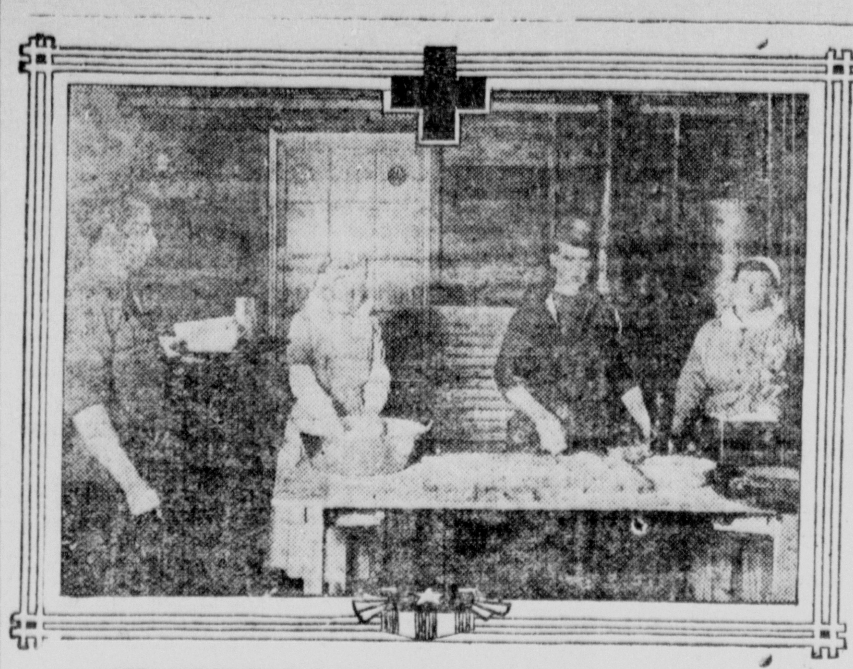
Mrs. E. P. Lewis arrived in the city yesterday morning and is the guest of Mrs. E. H. Buenz.

Mrs. J. O. Buenz is in Paige, Texas, visiting Mrs. Richard Gammanthaler and family.

Mr. J. A. Burnett is in North Texas on a business trip, and is expected home next week.

Messrs. Robert Muller, Asher Smith and C. S. McKinney left Wednesday evening for Asherton, on a deer hunt. They expect to return the latter part of the week.

Mr. Carlos Richter arrived in the city yesterday morning from Camp Jackson, South Carolina, where he



DIET KITCHEN OF AMERICAN RED CROSS IN FRANCE.

was stationed with the artillery replacement depot.

Edward Mullally returned home on Tuesday from Austin, where he received his discharge Friday 26, 1919.

Mrs. J. E. Jones, who has been visiting relatives in Moorestown, New Jersey, for the past several months and who is now in Virginia the guest of relatives, is expected in Laredo next week. She will be the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Hatley, until the return of her husband overseas.

Juan Garza, who has been attending the student army camp at Austin, Texas, received his discharge and has returned to Laredo.

Mr. G. W. Derby returned yesterday from San Antonio, where he went on a short business trip.

Announcement.

The Busy Bees will entertain on Saturday afternoon with a Children's Carnival. The prices will be nominal and everyone is cordially invited to attend. The entertainment has been planned for the young people, but the grown-ups will also be most welcome. The doors will be thrown open promptly at 3 o'clock.

Entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Poggenpohl entertained very delightfully on Wednesday evening with a stag dinner complimenting Mr. Ed. Matson, who has recently returned from France. The table was very attractively appointed and was centrally adorned with red chrysanthemums. The place cards bore patriotic designs and the plate favors were cigars. A four-course dinner was served and covers were laid for Mr. Ed. Matson, the honor guest, and Mr. W. D. Butler, Mr. Jim Gray, Mr. Henry Ward, and Mr. Alfred Poggenpohl.

Married Ladies Social Club.

The Married Ladies Social Club was delightfully entertained on Thursday afternoon by Mrs. T. A. Austin. The

rooms were charmingly arranged the decorative note was carried out in the national colors and red roses, holly and flags were used. The hostess provided a series of progressive games for the amusement of her guests which proved delightfully novel. The following games were played: Soldiers' Luck; Joining the Colors; Camp Anagrams; National Jack Straws; Five Hundred; and Forty-Two. The club prize fell to Mrs. J. W. Brewster and the guest prize went to Mrs. Gilbreath. A delicious salad course was served during the afternoon. The club members who enjoyed the hospitality of the afternoon were Mesdames Cogley, Christen, Biggio, Brewster, Barlow, Fish, Derby, Charles Deutz, Halsey, Hubert, Johnston, McComb, MacGregor, Woodman, Younk, Young, and Weber. The guests included Mrs. Scott of Dallas, and Mesdames Gilbreath, J. R. Moore, Mally, Hatley, Biskamp, Tucker and Boniger. During the afternoon Mrs. Tucker played a number of beautiful selections which were very much enjoyed by those present.

It was only little more than four years ago that society on both sides of the Atlantic was discussing Miss Havemeyer's announced engagement to wed the Earl of Euston, who this week has succeeded to the title and estates of the dukedom of Grafton through the death of his ninety-seven-year-old father, the seventh Duke. The marriage was set to take place on July 20, 1914, a few days before the war began. All of the formalities in regard to the marriage had been arranged, the trousseau had been ordered and society was awaiting the advent of the new member of the English colony of American women of title.

But almost at the last moment the bride refused to go to the altar. Why Miss Havemeyer broke the engagement is as much a secret today, so far as the general public is concerned, as it was four and a half years ago.

Two years later, in 1916, the Earl of Euston soled his feelings by wedding Lady Borthwick, the widow of the twenty-first Baron Borthwick and the daughter of Sir Mark John MacTaggart Stewart, a wealthy Scottish man. The fortune of the new Duchess of Grafton, although considerable, is nothing in comparison to what Miss Havemeyer was supposed to be able to bestow upon the sadly impoverished Lord Euston, who with his succession to the Dukedom is now confronted with the necessity for extensive repairs upon the family estates.

Aside from the broken Havemeyer

engagement the Grafton title possesses some peculiar connections with America and Americans. Almost two centuries ago Lord Augustus Fitzroy, father of the third Duke of Grafton, married in New York, Elizabeth, daughter of Colonel William Cosby, Governor of the State of New York. It is also deserving of note that the third Duke of Grafton, one of the principal English statesmen of the 18th century, showed himself throughout his political career the warm friend, first of the American colonies and afterward of the United States. Indeed, on two occasions he resigned cabinet office in order to give a public manifestation of his disapproval of the attitude of the administration toward America.

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ROAR OF WELCOME FROM BREST GREETED PRESIDENT WILSON AND PARTY ON ARRIVAL

Big Guns of French Fort Fired Salute and Then President's Steamer Passed Between Lines of Battle Craft Amidst Most Impressive Silence—American and French Colors Dominated the Scene.

GERMANY SENTINEL SPIES TO AMERICA

DESPATCHED 130 CIVILIANS TO ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD BEFORE THE WAR BEGAN.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 13.—The German government in 1914 informed 130 German civilian employees at Berlin that a war would be started soon. Captain G. Lester of the army intelligence service today informed the senate committee investigating the brewers and the German propaganda. These employees were despatched to all parts of the world to stimulate the Pan-German propaganda, 31 coming to America.

TODAY'S EVENTS.

An emergency conference on reconstruction plans has been called by the National Organization for Public Health Nursing, to be held in Chicago today.

What the smallest State of the Union is able to accomplish in the production of corn and corn products will be illustrated at the annual show of the Rhode Island Corn Growers' Association, opening today in Providence.

At the seventh annual meeting of the National Drainage Congress, which is to begin its sessions in Chicago today, a large government appropriation for the development of drainage systems and water power, flood control, and river regulations will be considered.

DO YOU KNOW THAT

The River Rhine has a length of 810 miles.

Mutton is the meat with the most nourishment.

Water when converted into steam increases in bulk 1,728 times.

Eggs keep longer if they are placed with the small end downwards.

The cathedral in Antwerp, has a seating capacity of 23,000.

A train traveling sixty miles an hour can be stopped within 120 yards.

Lightning can be seen by reflection at a distance of two hundred miles.

During the conversion of ice into water 140 degrees of heat are absorbed.

A locomotive gives four separate puffs for every turn of the driving wheels.

Horse racing in England was known to exist as early as the tenth century.

In the Philippine Island grows the largest known flower, three feet in diameter.

The average locomotive's work is 20,000 miles a year and its life is twenty years.

At depth of 45 feet under the ground the temperature of the earth is uniform throughout the year.

One pair of rabbits in four years, if none are killed or die, will be increased to 1,250,000 rabbits.

At thirty-two years of age, King Alfonso of Spain has occupied the throne longer than any other sovereign in the world.

An ordinary-sized man, supposing his surface to be 14 square feet, sustains the enormous atmospheric pressure of 30,240 pounds.

The word "ballot" appeared in English first in 1549. The word is an Italian one, and originally meant the ball dropped in the voting box.

WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day:

Tonight colder; cloudy. Saturday fair.

Local Weather Report.

The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 12 hours ending at 7 a. m. today.

Max. temp. 73 degs.

Min. temp. 59 degs.

General direction of wind: Northeast.

Cloudy and foggy.

Special to The Times.

Brest, France, Dec. 13.—Preceded by a big consort of battleships, cruisers and destroyers, the United States steamship George Washington, with President Wilson and party aboard, steamed into the harbor of Brest at 12:45 o'clock this afternoon. Instantly the harbor and town responded with a roar of welcome, with the big guns of the French forts the first to signal the arrival.

Instead of the presidential salute by all the warships, as originally planned, the George Washington steamed between a double line of battle craft amidst the most impressive silence.

In the city the streets were lined with troops, townfolk and picturesquely attired country people. Every house bore the colors of the United States and France. The display was unusual even for the beflagged victorious country. In addition almost every one in the crowd bore a flag with the American colors on every coat lapel.

On the hillside overlooking the harbor were massed banks of people wildly waving flags and cheering. A singular feature was the suppressed interest of the German prisoners at Brest. It was evident that their interest in the coming visitor was as keen as that of the huge crowd thronging the town, but the authorities are keeping these Germans in the background.

The first to greet the president were French Ministers Pichon, Tardieu and Leygues, with M. Herbestal, the mayor of Brest, and the American ambassador with Col. House, General Pershing and General Bliss. The progress to the train was amidst a vociferous welcome. Once aboard the president left immediately for Paris.

By Associated Press.

Wilson Reached Brest.

Brest, Dec. 13.—The steamer George Washington with President Wilson aboard, entered Brest harbor shortly after noon today. The day is dark and gloomy, but the rain which prevailed yesterday abated during the night. The harbor is a myriad of ships. The French ministers will board the George Washington at 1:30 to convey the first greetings to Mr. Wilson. The president's landing is fixed for 3 o'clock, when he will formally receive from French Minister Pichon a welcome as the guest of the French nation.

The day's first ray of sunlight fell across the George Washington as she anchored, while a huge reproduction of the statue of Liberty on shore was brilliantly illuminated as the sun broke through the clouds.

The First to Tread European Soil.

Brest, Dec. 13.—One hour after the George Washington anchored, the president stepped ashore, the first time an American president had trod European soil. Mr. Wilson left Brest for Paris at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Labor Won't Participate.

Paris, Dec. 13.—French labor will not take part in welcoming President Wilson. Premier Clemenceau informed the delegates of the labor federation

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From Saturday's Daily.

INFLUENZA MASKS.

Perhaps the most ridiculous thing that has come out of the influenza epidemic is the childish faith the average person reposes in the "influenza mask." In its most general form this is a series of folds of gauze—antiseptic or sterilized—and is actually not as much protection as a handkerchief over the mouth would be.

It is not certain that the average antiseptics would kill the influenza germs, and those which were strong enough to do so would probably prove disagreeable for street wear, especially for any length of time.

During the recent epidemic in New Orleans, the policemen, firemen and other public employees were forbidden to go on the streets without the foolish masks, and most of the people in the city adopted the senseless custom. Yet New Orleans had as great a proportion of influenza cases and as many deaths as any other Southern city.

It is difficult to imagine how people believe that these masks will keep off the influenza, when it is remembered that the germ so far has not been isolated because it is so small that even a fairly high-power microscope has not been powerful enough to discover it. How then can a coarse mesh cloth worn over the mouth and nose prevent its entrance?

It is wise to take every precaution, but we fail to see what precaution there is in wearing an influenza mask. Perhaps the only thing which would prevent the germs of the deadly disease from reaching persons would be for all wear the now familiar gas mask of the European trenches. They would at least prevent the entrance of the germs or their destruction by the fumes which will neutralize poison gases.

There are those who have worn the influenza masks who have fallen victims to the influenza. Of course, it will be urged that in a moment of forgetfulness they left off the masks and thus were victims of their own carelessness.

But how do the mask advocates account for the thousands who have never seen an influenza mask, who have never taken other precaution than that recommended by the doctors, and yet have escaped an attack of the disease although their neighbors all had it?

How do they account for certain members of an afflicted family never having caught the disease, although they were in daily contact with those who suffered from it, and never wore a mask?

There are many other precautions which recommend themselves to sane people as being far more effective in warding off disease than the use of a mask. There is no reason why one should continue breathing practically the same air over and over again, and there is nothing in such a process to prevent disease.

All who have lived on the border are familiar with the Mexican custom of covering the mouth and nostrils when going out into the cold air; yet the Mexicans are by no means exempt or immune from diseases of the respiratory tract, and there are a great many of them who die annually of tuberculosis and other diseases which they vainly try to ward off by stopping their breathing apparatus with a muffler.

There is another trouble with such preventives as the influenza mask recommended today. They tend to make people careless of other methods of prevention, and thus the very people who feel themselves secure because they are wearing masks are apt to run into danger in other ways.

The most rudimentary precautions are usually the best. Keep in health, take a cold at the start and treat it according to the doctor's orders; eat heartily yet sensibly; see that all the ordinary precautions against sickness are taken, and you probably will get along better than those who cross their fingers, wear an influenza mask and say: "It can't get me!"

But whatever you do, don't depend upon a wad of sterilized gauze to save you from infection. You will notice the doctors don't use it, and they have a plentiful supply in their medical stores.

THE GERMAN FEMINISTS.

The feminist movement in Germany is led by an aged German woman, frail and almost decrepit, Frau Cauer, the leader, acknowledges that the majority of the German women favored the war, but says: "Never again will we send our sons into battle."

The feminist movement in Great Britain was a serious menace to the government when the war broke out, but it immediately became one of the strongest supporters of the war against tyranny and oppression, and it is for that reason the British women have been given the franchise.

The American feminist movement was at first divided as to the war, and many of the leaders protested against the slaughter of the young men and the devastation of the homes by calling out the breadwinners by conscription. But when the United States entered the war, the staunchest supporters were the women of America, who sent their husbands, brothers and sons to battle, and who made sacrifices that were not surpassed by those of any women in the world.

It is natural that the women everywhere should oppose war. It is not for this that they bring their sons in-

to the world. But the women of Great Britain, of France and Belgium, and of America realized that the only thing which could conquer war was to make war on war; on the thing which war represents—the domination by physical force of those who are unable to resist, and the destruction of all that is created by the arts of peace.

The feminists of Germany are not changed because they believe war is wrong; nor because they feel pity for those who have suffered from the war. They are disappointed because Germany lost, and they see nothing ahead of them but sacrifice and suffering for years to come while the German nation pays for the destruction wrought with the full consent of the German women.

The votes of the German women will have little to do with the government of that country. The influence of the German woman is not exercised outside of her home. The four kaiser, kirche, kueche, kinder—emperor, church, kitchen and children—have dominated the soul of the German woman too long for her to rise in rebellion at this day. And those of the real feminist movement are the "shrill-sisterhood" sort, the women who spit in the faces of unarmed prisoners and who demanded the ill treatment of the women and girls of Belgium who were taken to Germany to become the slaves of the German officers.

There are few places in the world where the feminist movement has not gained strength through the war. The spirit of womanhood revolts against the terrible loss of life for so base an ideal as the ambition of a ruler. And it may be that the women of Germany will refuse to be longer led like sheep into raising their boys to be soldiers.

The women of America, had their sons been demanded for the purpose of perpetuating a dynasty or of dominating another nation for the glory of a ruler, would have refused to obey. They sent their sons to fight because it was for the purpose of saving the world from future wars, and to free the world from tyranny.

It will take more than a feminist movement to change the nature of the people of Germany. Even the overwhelming defeat which they have suffered has not materially changed their views. They are still disposed to be arrogant with the rest of the world, and to demand what they should be pleading for. But the change will come when they begin to realize that success does not depend upon the strong right arm of their soldiers, but rather upon the might of the Lord of Hosts.

It is encouraging to note that the women of Germany are to demand the right to vote. It may lead in the future to better times for Germany. But it is necessary to remember that the right to vote was also given the women of Russia, without in any way materially helping their condition. And the women of China, although given the franchise, have not yet emerged from the darkness of their isolation from mankind.

DEPARTURE IS POSTPONED;

Aviators and Five Airplanes, Scheduled to Leave Yesterday Afternoon, Prevented By Strong Winds.

It was the intention of Lieutenant Penney and members of his aviation command in five airplanes to take their departure for Kelly Field yesterday afternoon after having completed their work of mapping and photographing proposed aerial mail routes in this section, but on account of the brisk norther that struck in the afternoon it was decided that as the planes would not be able to travel fast against the wind to defer the visit until today.

This decision was reached after one of the airplanes had made an ascension and "tried out" the air current, and while it found that they could travel at a speed of about fifteen miles against the gale, there was no need for the using up of a large amount of gasoline and encountering slow travel, so it was decided to postpone the departure. The aviators left on their return to San Antonio this morning shortly before 10 o'clock.

VAUDEVILLE SHOW MONDAY

Thirty-seventh Infantry Vaudeville Promises to Draw a House That Will Pack the Royal Opera House.

Tickets are now on sale at the Plaza Cafe and the Soldiers' Club for the big vaudeville performance to be given at the Royal Opera House on next Monday night, by the Soldiers' Vaudeville of the Thirty-seventh Infantry in charge of Robert E. Essling, who managed the previous vaudeville performances given here and in Corpus Christi by the Thirty-seventh Infantry boys.

The vaudeville performance on Monday night at the Royal promises to be something entirely different from any other of the kind ever given here, and judging from present indications the soldier boys are going to be greeted by an audience that will fill the spacious opera house to its capacity. All who witnessed the last vaudeville show here by the Thirty-seventh Infantry aggregation (about two thousand persons) know what they might expect next Monday, and consequently the demand for reserved seats is very brisk today.

ANTONIO BRUNI SUCCUMBS

AT HOME IN SAN ANTONIO
Aged Italian Had Resided in San Antonio 58 Years; Was Brother of John Bruni of This City.

Antonio Bruni, one of the pioneer residents of San Antonio, and who was a brother of John Bruni of this city, and uncle of A. M. Bruni and Louis Bruni of Laredo, died at his home in San Antonio Thursday of natural causes. Mr. Bruni was 83 years of age and had made his home in San Antonio for 58 years, moving to that city in 1860. In mentioning his death, the Express of yesterday contained the following sketch of Mr. Bruni's life:

Mr. Bruni was a native of Villa Bossi, Duchy of Parma, Italy. He came to America in 1858 with the intention of traveling around the world. In the fall of 1862 Mr. Bruni came to San Antonio and opened a general merchant store. He later met Miss Trinidad de Arcocha, to whom he was married in 1863. Mr. and Mrs. Bruni celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary in 1913. Two years later, on March 30, Mrs. Bruni died.

Mr. Bruni retired from business ten years ago. He had been an active figure in politics for many years and was Alderman of the First Ward under Mayor French in 1879.

Mr. Bruni is survived by a brother, John Bruni, of Laredo; five daughters, Miss Marie Bruni, Mrs. Edward W. Heusinger, Mrs. Miguel F. Gonzales, and Mrs. William Stone, of San Antonio, and Mrs. Robert Wiley Brown of Lawndale, Cal.; numerous grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Notice to the Public.
Beginning Jan. 1, 1919, we are going on a cash basis. This means that when you get your work you pay for it. If you do not get what you pay for, you will do us a favor by letting it be known.

Border Foundry and Machine Co.
12-6-1m.

BAN LIFTED ON LIVESTOCK

EXPORTS ACROSS BOUNDARY
War Trade Board Announces Removal of System Requiring License For Exportation of Live Stock.

The following information contained in a telegram from Washington will be of much interest to the cattlemen along the Texas border as it means the removal of an embargo that has been an obstacle to cattle exportations to Mexico for several years.

The War Trade Board has decided to abolish the present system requiring licenses for export of cattle, horses, sheep and other live stock into Mexico. This will be effective next Tuesday.

Notice.
We pay best cash prices for Liberty Bonds. We buy and sell stocks. Write us.

MORGAN YATTER CO.
1210 Southwestern Life Bldg.
Dallas, Texas.
8-3-1f.

RECUPERATING IN LAREDO

Taken ill with pneumonia
Mrs. Walter Laue of San Antonio Died in Laredo Yesterday Afternoon; Remains Sent to San Antonio.

Mrs. Walter Laue, wife of Walter Laue of San Antonio, and sister-in-law of Charles Laue of this city, died at the Capra home here yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock after a several days illness from pneumonia.

Mrs. Laue recently suffered an attack of influenza in San Antonio and had come to Laredo to recuperate her health, when she was later stricken ill with pneumonia. The remains were sent to San Antonio for interment this morning.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy. Hall's Catarrh Medicine is taken internally and acts through the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Catarrh Medicine was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years. It is composed of some of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The perfect combination of the ingredients in Hall's Catarrh Medicine is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal conditions. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O.
All Druggists, 7c.
Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

ESPECIAL BARGAINS

IN USED CARS.
Four Ford Touring Cars, 1917 Model.
Three Ford Chassis Cars, 1917 Models
Six Ford Taxicab Bodies.
Five 1918 2-passenger Studebakers.
Two 1919 2-passenger Studebakers.

These cars are in A-1 condition. For information call for Mr. Nevelow at Hamilton Hotel, or address P. O. Box 156. Can offer special propositions to brokers. Will accept Liberty Bonds.

LOCAL NEWS

A number of hunters left here today for various parts of the country to spend Sunday and try to get their full quota of venison before the deer hunting season is over. While several left here early today, there are others who will leave on their hunting expedition tonight or by daybreak tomorrow.

O. C. Ulmer, Phone 1085, Farragut Street, sells the following: Prices are f. o. b. Laredo: Bushel round standard covered baskets, \$2.15 per doz. Bushel round baskets, hoop covers, \$2.30 per doz. Bushel Hampers, \$15.50 per 100. Be sure to call him if you want prompt shipment.

Edward Green, florist. Day and night phone Crockett 4107. Ave. C at 8th St., San Antonio, Texas.

2-25-1f.

With Christmas only ten days off the shoppers are out in force now, and as today is Saturday, and payday with many people, the probability is that many of the business establishments of Laredo handling suitable Christmas goods will be crowded this evening with purchasers.

When in need of a plumber phone 1203. Juarez Plumbing, 419 Matamoros street.

The Bellmont. Rooms and apartments. 602 Main Ave. Phone 576 or 1017.

6-20-1f.

Laredo is to have the time-honored "pastores" again this year—in fact they are already in progress nightly at a place on Santa Ursula Avenue three blocks north of the Texas-Mexican track.

We paint automobiles; also make auto tops. Fidel Cantu, Phone 202.

6-15-1f.

The Crescent Garage is the busiest shop in town. Why?

4-10-1f.

Teacher of Gregg Shorthand and Spanish and English. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office; residence 812 Farragut street.

4-27-1f.

The following marriage license has been issued by the county clerk since last report: Santos Alonzo and Miss Juanita Hernandez.

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Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans.

4-24-1f.

A meeting of the Federal Employees' Union will be held in the federal building on next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, at which time all members are requested to be present.

Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office; residence 812 Farragut street. Residence phone 348.

4-27-1f.

If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials.

1-9-1f.

IN THE DAY'S NEWS.

DECEMBER 14.

David Lloyd George, whose political future is at stake in today's general elections in Great Britain, has just rounded out his second year in the premiership, to which he was called at one of the most critical stages of the war. Lloyd George, as he is popularly known, is the idol of British democracy. Extreme radicalism has made him at times "one of the most hated men of England," particularly among the aristocracy, but on more numerous occasions he has loomed up as "the man of the hour." He is pre-eminently the British Government's man of "push and go," energetic, determined and fearless. Though a little man, almost frail in physique, he has been such a successful fighter that he scarcely knows the meaning of defeat. A Welshman by blood, he knew the meaning of extreme poverty in his youth and received only a limited education. His public career began with his election to parliament when 27 years old.

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Use Soothing Musterole

When those sharp pains go shooting through your head, when your skull seems as if it would split, just rub a little Musterole on your temples and neck. It draws out the inflammation, soothes away the pain, usually giving quick relief.

Musterole is a clean, white ointment, made with oil of mustard. Better than a mustard plaster and does not blister.

Many doctors and nurses frankly recommend Musterole for sore throat, bronchitis, croup, stiff neck, asthma, neuralgia, congestion, pleurisy, rheumatism, lumbago, pains and aches of the back or limbs, sprains, sore muscles, bruises, chilblains, frosted feet—colds of the chest (it often prevents pneumonia). It is always dependable.

30c and 60c jars; hospital size \$2.50.

MUSTEROLE
WILL NOT BLISTER

INSTITUTE IS POSTPONED

ON ACCOUNT OF INFLUENZA
Farmers' Institute Scheduled to Be Held in Laredo on December 20 Has Been Called Off for Time.

The Times is in receipt of a letter from J. W. Neill of Austin, director of farmers institutes of the state department of agriculture, in which he gives the following information:

"Our Mr. Fletcher Davis was advertised to hold a farmers' institute at your place on the 20th of December. This is to advise you that we are requested by the state health officer to discontinue all work until after the holidays. This is due to another serious outbreak of influenza. Please give wide publicity to this. I will arrange to have Mr. Davis or some other member to visit your community soon."

W. S. S.

FIRST TEAM DEFEATS

ALL STARS.
At Lowry Park, Thursday at 4 p. m. High School First Team defeated the High School All Stars in a snappy game, by the score of 29 to 0. Both teams displayed good form for their first game. For First Team Lowry in the line and O'Hara Bros. and Rodgers G. In the backfield, starred. For the losers Graham and M. Honeyman did brilliant work.

1st Team. Lineup. All Stars. King. L. E. Garcia. Quinn. L. T. Loftus. Lowry. L. G. Feuille. Sauvignat. C. G. Zamora. L. Maher. R. G. Jeffries-Santoy. Brennan. R. T. Bunn. Heaner. R. E. Graham. J. O'Hara. R. H. R. Honeyman. G. Rodgers. Q. B. E. Rodgers. P. O'Hara. L. H. M. Honeyman. J. Maher. F. B. Greenstreet. Referee, C. Brett, 37th Inf. Linesman, Trout.

W. S. S.

NEW TIME-CARD TOMORROW

BETWEEN HERE AND MINES
Change of Schedule on R. G. & E. P. Ry. Will Go Into Effect Tonight Between Here and Minera.

A new time-card will go into effect on the Rio Grande & Eagle Pass railway between Laredo and the coal mines tonight after midnight.

The train will hereafter leave Laredo at 8:29 a. m. and arrive at Minera at 10:40 a. m. The train will leave Minera at 11 a. m. and arrive at Laredo at 3 p. m. These trains operate daily except Sunday.

W. S. S.

BISHOP NUSSBAUM COMING

ON VISIT TO LAREDO TODAY
Head of the Roman Catholic Church of This Diocese Expected Here This Afternoon From Corpus.

Rt. Rev. Paul J. Nussbaum, bishop of the Corpus Christi diocese of the Roman Catholic church, is expected to reach Laredo this afternoon from Corpus Christi on a business visit to Laredo.

Bishop Nussbaum will spend several days in Laredo looking after matters concerning the Laredo churches of the diocese.

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WILL BEGIN THIS EVENING

AND CONTINUE UNTIL XMAS
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SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Saturday.
Mrs. H. G. DaCamara will entertain the Auction Bridge Club at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Busy Bees will entertain with a Children's Carnival at the building formerly occupied by the Laredo Water Company from 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Ladies Night at the 37th Infantry Club.

Sunday.
The Epworth Society will meet in the League Room at the Methodist Church at 7 o'clock in the evening.

The B. Y. P. U. will hold their regular meeting at the Baptist Church in the evening.

There will be a regular general meeting of the Woman's Club at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Woman's Club will entertain with its regular weekly "at home" for the soldier boys at 8 o'clock in the evening.

W. S. S.

FOR MAIMED MEN.

The Times desires all social items of interest and cordially invites its readers to supply such news to the society editor. Send or phone all items about weddings, parties, visitors, dinners, receptions, bazaars, children's parties, etc. If you are leaving town or returning, or have visitors arriving or departing. The Times will be glad to know it. While names will not be used all written communications must be signed. This is imperative to prevent imposition. Phone all society communications to the Society Editor of The Times at No. 70 between 7 and 8 o'clock in the morning and 6 and 8:30 in the evening.

General Mention.

Mr. Walter Macpherson, field representative of St. Andrew's Brotherhood, left this morning for Corpus Christi.

Mr. and Mrs. Leopoldo Bruni returned yesterday from San Antonio. Mr. Bruni having received his discharge from the officers training camp last Monday.

Mr. Ed. Kotula has returned from a short trip to San Antonio.

Lieut. and Mrs. Randall Sharp left last night for their home in Pennsylvania. Lieut. Sharp has been stationed at Fort McIntosh.

Greetings have just been received from Miss Theodora Gullette from Houston, Texas. She writes they are all well and are pleasantly located.

Mrs. E. P. Lewis has returned to San Antonio after a short visit to Mrs. E. H. Buenz.

Mrs. J. O. Buenz is expected home from a short trip to different points in the state.

Lieut. and Mrs. Joseph Cullinan will arrive in the city on Tuesday from Columbia, South Carolina, to spend the holidays with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. M. P. Cullinan.

Mr. Whittington of Houston was among the visitors in the city yesterday.

Miss Olivia Schultz, who has been attending school in Little Rock, Ark., will arrive in the city next week to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Buenz. She will be accompanied by Mrs. Buenz's niece, Katherine and Mary Drew Cooper.

Lieut. and Mrs. Stanley Hauser and baby will be among the arrivals in the city next week for the holidays. They will be the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Merriman.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Jackman and son of San Marcos are expected in the city the latter part of next week to spend Christmas with relatives. They will make the trip in their car.

Sam Johnson returned home yesterday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Johnson. He will return to St. Louis College, San Antonio, the first of the year.

Announcements.

There will be a dance at the Soldiers Club in the evening.

The regular general meeting of the Woman's Club falls on Monday at 3:30 o'clock. A good attendance of the members is asked, since Mrs. Asher Smith, delegate to the recent annual convention of the State Federation meeting at Dallas, will give an outline of the work accomplished and subjects considered.

Entertainment.

Mrs. Carl S. McKinney entertained a few friends very informally at her

home on the Heights yesterday afternoon, honoring Mrs. Hopkins of Dallas, who is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Asher R. Smith.

Camp Fire Girls Entertain.

The Blue Bird Chapter of Camp Fire Girls entertained yesterday afternoon with a delightful program and baby show, for the benefit of the Armenian and Syrian orphans, at the Woman's Club room. The ladies in charge had the hall attractively arranged for the occasion and at the conclusion of the program delicious punch was served from a prettily decorated table ornamented with poinsettia and sprays of ferns. In the baby contest the girl's prize went to little Miss Helen Netzer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Netzer, Jr. The boy's prize was awarded to Leonard Dalches, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Dalches. The following program was given:

Spring Song, Piano selection. Dorothy Borchers.
Reading. Celeste Hamilton
Song. Nellie Ward and Evelyn Kerr.
Recitation, "Mammy's Coal Black Rose." Molly Swartzman
Reading. Josephine Dalches
Piano Selection, "Comin' Thro' the Rye." Nellie Ward and Eugenia Copeland
Solo Dance. Nellie Ward
Service Flag Recitation. Anne McKinney, Doris and Dorothy Wilson.

FOR MAIMED MEN.

There is a constantly increasing demand for tricycles and motor cars, besides other mechanical appliances, for men who have lost limbs during the war. The future possibilities for the sale of this class of goods for wounded soldiers and sailors cannot at present be accurately gauged, though the demand will probably reach into the thousands. It is estimated that in Great Britain alone from one-half million to one million tools, suitable for use by men having an artificial arm, to enable them to carry on their previous trades as plumbers, blacksmiths, carpenters, etc., could be sold. One expert claims that there is at present a market for at least one hundred thousand small motor cars or electric tricycles, well and simply constructed and easily manipulated, for the use of crippled officers and men. No such machine has yet made its appearance in the open market, and when a practical motor car or tricycle appears at a price below \$500 the sale of a large number seems assured from the start. An efficient hill climbing electric tricycle or motor—one easily understood and handled by an armless or legless man—would meet an urgent need, and if such a machine were ready at the close of the war the sales reached would be beyond any figures yet reported.—Scientific American.

DIFFERENT.

A teacher asked her class the difference between "results" and "consequences." A bright girl replied: "Results are what you expect and consequences are what you get."—Argonaut.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS.

DECEMBER 14.

Prince Albert, second son of King George, born 23 years ago today.

Sir W. W. Cheyne, Surgeon-General of the British navy, born 66 years ago today.